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NEW K.O.S.B. FRAUD SENSATION.

MYSTERIOUS AFFAIR REPORTED.

OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS IN TRUNK RIFLED.

PADLOCK TORN OFF.

There has been a sensational development in the case in which Corporal Charles Hendry, of the 2nd K.O.S.B., is charged before a District Court Martial with the embezzlement of sums amounting to \$1,300.

Over the week-end, a trunk containing the official documents from the prosecution was rifled, and it was not known this morning whether or not any vital documents had been taken away.

On Friday, the Court adjourned until to-day in order that certain legal points involved might be considered, and Mr. Wadeson, counsel for the prosecution, padlocked the trunk containing the documents.

The Court Martial is being held in the Padre's Hut at Scandal Point, and it was discovered this morning that the padlock had been wrenches from the trunk and the documents interfered with.

Major Blake's Evidence.

An important witness was called when the Court resumed this morning, Major B. C. Blake, the President of the Regimental Institute of the K.O.S.B.

Examined by counsel for the prosecution—giving formal evidence, not on oath—he stated that he took over from Major Ogilvie in October, 1928. At that time the clerk in the P.R.I. office was Corporal Hendry, the accused.

What did he do? He kept the accounts and the messing book.

Was the letter for the P.R.I.?

No. Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, the Judge Advocate, ruled out the evidence as irrelevant.

Regarding the messing book, Major Blake told Mr. Wadeson that it was difficult to explain. The book was kept in the P.R.I. office and was entered by the P.R.I. clerk. The accused also kept several other accounts.

Accused's Duties.

Further examined by Mr. Wadeson, witness stated that the practice of the P.R.I. office in regard to paying money into the bank was to let accused do it.

Sometimes the monies received were paid to witness, and sometimes to the accused. That depended entirely on who was in the office at the time. Cheques were paid into the bank at the discretion of the P.R.I., and when witness took over it was the custom for the clerk to keep the cheques in his possession.

Judge Advocate: But you were the P.R.I.—Yes.

Mr. Wadeson: Were the cheques brought to you before they were paid into the bank?—Yes.

Why?—When I took over, I got the clerk to take them to the bank and he brought me back the pay-in slip for initialising.

Did you endorse the cheques?—Yes.

Here the prosecution produced cheques with Major Blake's endorsement, and Major Blake said they should have found their way into the P.R.I. account but did not.

Judge Advocate: What do you mean "found their way?"

Mr. Wadeson: Paid in. They should have been paid into one of the four accounts of the P.R.I.

Not Paid In.

Were they paid in?—No. To Major Blake: Who should have paid them in?—Corporal Hendry.

Why?—He brought the cheques to me for endorsement and I asked him to pay them into the bank.

A cheque for the amount of \$30.50 was produced in Court, and Major Blake stated that it was a cheque made out by him on account of the N.A.A.F.I. for cleaning material. The writing on the body of the cheque was that of Corporal Hendry. He learned of the existence of that account with the N.A.A.F.I. from Corporal Hendry. As a matter of fact, the bill was for goods supplied.

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TEN PERISH IN BIG SHANGHAI FIRE.

FAMILY TRAPPED OVER OIL STORING PREMISES.

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION.

Shanghai, May 6. Ten persons were killed, a large building completely gutted and others in the vicinity seriously endangered, before the Fire Brigade gained control over a remarkable blaze in the Hongkew district last night.

A family of ten Chinese were living over a hardware shop in the Singkeipang Road, Hongkew, and they were trapped in the upper storeys when the ground-floor premises took fire.

The blaze spread with alarming rapidity, due to the presence in the hardware store of about 150 gallons of engine oil, stored in tins. The fire burst, with terrific explosions, one by one, spraying burning oil over the premises and over the entire area within twenty or thirty yards of the place.

The Brigade had a difficult fight, but gained control after playing on the flames for an hour or so.

The father of the family was the only one found alive when an entrance was effected, but he died of his burns while on the way to hospital. The grandmother of the family was among the victims.

It appears that the family were overcome by the fumes before the arrival of the Brigade.—Our Own Correspondent.

FAMOUS EXPLORER BACK FROM ANTARCTIC

WHAT SIR HUBERT WILKINS DISCOVERED.

London, May 5. Sir Hubert Wilkins, the famous Arctic and Antarctic explorer, returned to Plymouth to-day.

On his last Antarctic trip, Sir Hubert Wilkins explored 1,200 miles of coast line, discovering twenty islands, two channels and one strait.

He returns to the Antarctic next September, when he hopes with aeroplanes to explore 2,500 miles of coast line between Graham's Land and Ross Sea.—British Wireless.

PERSIAN EARTHQUAKE CATASTROPHE.

VILLAGES COMPLETELY OBLITERATED.

Teheran, May 5.

It is now stated that as the result of a series of violent earthquakes in North-East Persia, over 2,000 persons have been killed, and countless others injured.

The majority of the casualties occurred, it appears at Khorassan.

Several villages in the region have been completely obliterated and the disturbances continue.—Reuters.

BRITISH MINISTER'S DEATH.

BODY BROUGHT BACK TO ENGLAND.

London, May 5. The Swedish destroyer Ehrenskold has reached Sherton (Sheerness) with the body of Sir John Tudor Vaughan, British Minister to Sweden, who died suddenly a few days ago.

The Ehrenskold was met by the two British destroyers Trinidad and Teazer and escorted to harbour.—British Wireless.

IMPROVING LATER.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone, which has attained considerable intensity, is now central near Tokyo. Pressure is relatively low over China and Tongking.

The forecast till noon tomorrow: East to South winds, moderate; cloudy and misty at first, improving later.

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UNUSUAL WRITING ON CHEQUES.

COLONIAL TREASURER RECALLED.

PECULIARITIES ADMITTED IN BANK CASE.

EXPLANATION GIVEN.

At the request of the special jury, the Colonial Treasurer, the Hon. Mr. Mc. Messer, was recalled to give further evidence in the case in which the Government claims for the re-crediting of \$260,000 by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, to the Supreme Court this morning.

Mr. Messer said that since Friday he had looked through 63 cheques which were drawn in favour of the Captain Superintendent of Police during October, November, December and early January.

"Mr. Sheldon:—Have you found in any of those cheques anything unusual or studied about the writing?—Only in the Mow Fung cheques."

Peculiar Writing.

You told us before that there was one cheque which struck you because of the studiedness of the writing?—Well it was peculiar.

Mr. Messer examined the cheque which was put to Tsang when being cross-examined by Mr. Jenkins on Friday, and which, it was stated, showed unusual writing. Mr. Messer said that looked very much like the cheque he had noticed. It looked as if it was not quite Tsang's normal writing but it was supported by vouchers and witness signed the cheque.

The writing on the cheque left an impression on his mind when he first saw it. With regard to the Mow Fung cheque witness said he did not remember anything about it. Mr. Mow Fung was a personal friend of his and he knew what the cheque was for.

In answer to other questions, witness said he had examined nine cheques which were mentioned in a letter from the defendant's solicitors relative to Mr. Messer's writing. Mr. Sheldon said the letter was sent on May 4 and said that Professor Shellshair would deal with various points in Mr. Messer's writing.

Not Comparable.

Witness examined signatures on the nine cheques by means of reflected light, and said that not a single one of them was comparable with the signatures on the three disputed cheques.

In reply to the foreman of the jury, witness said that, in his time, the safe keys had never been lost. Asked whether Carvalho, Yeo ever worked in the Treasury witness was understood to say that he was sometimes in the Treasury during the fifteen hours.

Cross-examined by Mr. Jenkins in regard to the C.S.P. cheque witness said that the writing in the body of the cheque had not got the steady flow of others.

Mr. Jenkins:—It had not the appearance of Tsang's ordinary steady flow?—No.

Was it merely that it did not possess the ordinary steady flow?—Yes, and that it doesn't look like it.

Can you explain the difference in a few words?—It is more studied and there is a lack of unconsciousness.

Not as Neat.

It is neater?—I should not care to say that.

Is it as neat?—No, not as neat. You have said that to your knowledge the two keys to the safe produced last week had been used in the Treasury for eight years?—I have been in the Treasury over eight years.

Do you look at the keys?—I know they were in use. I have never had a report about them.

Is that the only basis for your statement?—It seems to be.

Do you know of any other?—I have not examined them.

No report has been made and therefore you assume that they have been in constant use?—One is a rather old key.

Do you base your statement on the fact that no report has been made?—Yes. I have seen the keys lately.

As you base your statement on the fact that no report has been made?—Yes. I have seen the keys lately.

WAR EXPECTED IN THE SOUTH.

KWANGSI TROOPS COMING DOWN WEST RIVER.

CANTON NAVY MOVES.

According to reliable information reaching the Colony, relations between Kwangtung and Kwangsi are expected to break out during the present week.

For some days past, there have been hopes that peace would prevail, as a personal delegate of General Wang Shin-hung, the Kwangsi leader, has been in Canton, where he has had several conferences with the authorities and has put forward terms on which Kwangsi would be willing to pledge allegiance to Nanking.

It is now learned, however, that hostilities may be expected to break out within a few days.

Kwangsi troops are reported to be moving down the West River, and the Canton Navy is proceeding up river to intercept them.

Chang Fat-kwei, the "Ironside" leader, who was in control in Canton during the latter part of

RECORD ELECTION NOMINATIONS.

NEARLY 1,700 BIDS FOR 615 SEATS.

INFLUENCE OF WOMEN TO BE GREATER THAN EVER.

HEADQUARTERS BUSY.

London, May 5. If there is any truth in the suggestion of apathy among the voters, the political party headquarters in London are displaying the most intense activity in view of the Dissolution of Parliament which takes place on Friday next.

Proof of the busy deliberations taking place within the four corners of the political associations' committee rooms, is afforded by the fact that arrangements have already been made to nominate 1,685 candidates for the 615 seats in the House of Commons.

Three-cornered contests will be the principal feature of the election, as the list of nominations sets a new record for Parliamentary elections in Britain.

Party Positions. The aspirants are divided as follows:

Conservatives	582
Labour	559
Liberal	493
Communists	24
Independents	27

Communists in the West Riding of Yorkshire have chosen S. Asmani, the President of the Indian Trades Union Congress, who is at present awaiting trial at Meerut, India, on a charge of sedition, to oppose Sir John Simon at Spenn Valley at the General Election.

Another Indian Communist, named Upadhy, will represent Asmani in the Spenn Valley throughout the campaign.

Only Eight No-Contests.

Few additions or withdrawals from the figures given may be expected by Nomination Day, May 20th.

It is expected that in only eight of the 615 constituencies will there be no contest when polling takes place. Among the eight candidates expected to be returned unopposed is the Speaker, Mr. Pitman, and two solidly Conservative seats in the City of London constituency.

Women voters continue to increase their lead over men in the latest returns lodged of voters on the new register. Women predominate in a General Election for the first time, the figures now being:

Women	8,186,710 voters.

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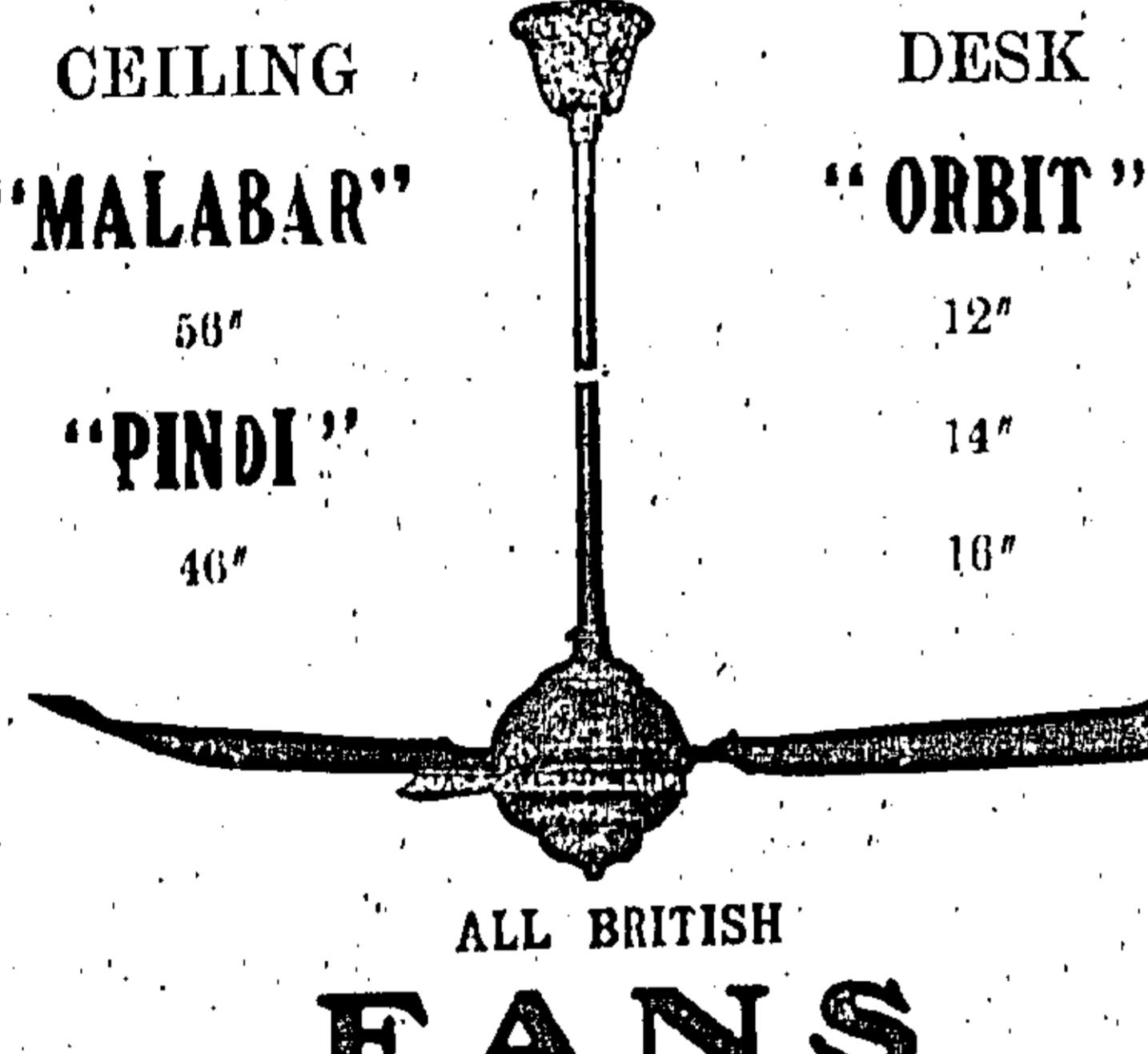
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OBITUARY.

TRAGIC DEATH OF A P.W.D. OVERSEER.

The death occurred, on Saturday morning, under tragic circumstances, of Mr. William Keegan, an overseer of the Public Works Department.

Mr. Keegan was admitted into the Government Civil Hospital on Friday night, complaining that he was unwell. While waiting for his ailment to be diagnosed, he occupied a room in the Out-Patients Department, on the third floor of an elevated building overlooking Eastern Street.

On the following morning, a nurse rushed into the Superintendent's office to report that a man had been seen to fall from a window of Mr. Keegan's room. A stretcher was taken to the spot, and it was found that Mr. Keegan had sustained fatal injuries as a result of a fall down a height of about 100 feet from his room.

His ribs and left leg were broken, and, without recovering consciousness, he died an hour afterwards.

Enquiries at the Government Civil Hospital yesterday showed that beyond his complaint of feeling unwell, there was nothing particularly abnormal in the condition of the deceased. He was quite cheerful, had his breakfast at the usual hour, and prior to his death was seen conversing interestingly with the other patients.

Mr. Keegan, who was 40 years of age, and unmarried, was Assistant County Surveyor, at Dublin, before he joined the Public Works Department of this Colony, as an overseer, on July 3, 1920. He became first-class overseer in 1924.

A member of the Civil Service Club and Kowloon Cricket Club, he was a useful bowler and was chosen to play bowls for the K.C.C. during the forthcoming season. He was also a Rugby football player, having not only played for the Colony, but also a great deal at home.

His death will be a loss to sporting circles, in which he was very popular. He leaves a mother and a sister to mourn him.

The Funeral.

The funeral took place yesterday, there being a big gathering of friends and colleagues, both European and Chinese, as well as those who were in touch with him during business hours. Deceased was buried at the Catholic Cemetery, Fr. R. S. Brookes officiating. The six pall-bearers were Messrs. Morgan, Rose, Howe, Fraser, Bolt, and Murphy.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Laing, Mrs. Duxon, the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, the Director of Public Works, Mr. E. W. Carpenter, Messrs. W. Mackay, W. E. Hollands, J. T. Ewing, R. R. Wood, E. Newhouse, P. D. Wilson, H. H. Pegg, A. W. Grimmitt, J. C. Fletcher, F. H. Holden, C. Bennett, U. M. Omar, P. Langton, E. Abramham, J. P. Robinson, R. Langton, A. W. Millar, M. O'Brien, F. Haynes, J. Deakin, G. A. Roberts, T. Grimes, J. Hollidge, T. W. Carr, M. Billimoria, W. J. Bickford, F. Brett, Sang Lee Contractors, Lee Hing Brothers, and Lee Sang Loong.

Among the family wreaths were those from "Dear Mother," and deceased's brother and sister; while other floral tributes were sent by:

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Abraham, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bickford, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kynoch, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Ewing, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Duxon, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Moss, Mr. and Mrs. F. Haynes, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Beattie, Mr. and Mrs. J. Deakin, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Grimmitt, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Robinson, Mrs. E. Mackay and family, Mrs. B. Oxberry, Messrs. E. Newhouse, T. Bolt, H. H. Pegg, A. W. J. Simmons, R. S. Vergeote, B. Verzette, A. E. Lissaman, P. D. Wilson, J. L. Goldenberg, R. C. Keen, F.

AT THE FOUNTAINS.

PROFESSIONAL WATER CARRIERS CAUSE TROUBLE.

Now that water restriction is in force, it is a common occurrence to see squabbles at the street fountains. There is often a lot of disagreement owing to some of the carriers refusing to take their proper place in the rank and attempting to get before others. One such case came before Major Wilson at the Central Magistracy on Saturday morning, when a Chinese woman appeared to prosecute a coolie and two women, who said, had assaulted her in New Street and refused to allow her to draw water.

After the fight, she reported the matter to the Police and the three defendants were arrested. The two women hit her with their poles and one dug her teeth into complainants cheek. The coolie denied taking any part, but the complainant stated he was also in the gang. The three defendants were coolies and were all together when there was any fighting about.

A Police Inspector informed the Magistrate that some of the coolies were professional water carriers. They kept on drawing water for themselves and other people, and hardly gave others a chance.

The Magistrate ordered the defendants to pay a fine of \$5 and \$2 compensation to the complainant.

The complainant expressed herself as dissatisfied with the compensation, and exhibited an umbrella which she valued as \$5 which the defendants had broken.

In another case in which three

coolies were concerned in a dispute at a street fountain, Major Wilson bound all over in the sum of \$50 for six months.

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Wreaths were also sent by Officers of P.W.D., Officers of Roads Dept.; European staff; Building Ordinance Office; Draughts Office staff; Draughts, Roads Office; Overseers, Architectural and Maintenance Office; Overseers, Roads and Maintenance Office; Chinese staff, Roads Office; President and Members of the Kowloon Cricket Club, Members of the Civil Service Cricket Club, Members of the Craygengower Cricket Club, Sang Lee and Co., Rose, Howe, Fraser, Bolt, and Murphy.

DR. F. PIERCE-GROVE.

Death of Well-known Physician and Sportsman.

We regret to have to announce the death, which occurred at the French Convent Hospital at ten o'clock last night, of Dr. F. Pierce-Grove. The deceased was one of the Colony's best-known European residents, and both as a physician and a sportsman he made a large circle of friends who will mourn his demise. We understand that he had been suffering from typhoid, with complications.

The late Dr. Pierce-Grove, who was 55 years of age, had been in Hongkong about twenty-five years,

and was a senior partner in the firm of Drs. Pierce-Grove, Aubrey and Maegown, of Alexandra Buildings. His medical qualifications were long recognised, and his personality was one which gained him the esteem of all with whom he came in contact. As a sportsman his chief interest of recent years was the Foxhunting, of which he was Joint Master, and his association with this activity, particularly in introducing hounds to the Hunt, will always be remembered.

The funeral is to take place today, the cortège passing the

Monument at 5.30 p.m.

THE DUKE'S VISIT.

FESTIVITIES IN TOKYO CONTINUE.

Tokyo, May 4. While H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester has been kept busy carrying out the full programme of his visit, the officers and men of H.M.S. Suffolk are being royally entertained at lunches, dances and excursions, and the Railway Department has issued them free passes for use until May 9, when the official visit ends.

This evening the Band of H.M.S.

Suffolk is scheduled to march

through the main streets of Tokyo

to Hibya Park, where it will give

an open-air concert in co-operation

with a Japanese naval band.

Undeterred by the continued rainy weather, H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester this morning visited the Imperial University, where he was given a rousing welcome by the students and professors.

The main object of the visit

was to present the Shakespeare

Medal to the President of the Uni-

versity on behalf of the Japan

Society (London). The medal is

to be awarded to the writer of

the best essay on English litera-

ture. After the presentation, the

Duke of Gloucester inspected the

library and other buildings. He

was given an impressive send-off

and he then proceeded to the

Naval Club to attend a luncheon

given by the Minister of the Navy.

Admiral Togo's Honour.

Amongst those presented to

H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester at

the luncheon was Admiral Togo,

the Nelson of Japan, who, by at-

tending yesterday's investiture, is

now able to boast that he was

present at the investiture of three

successive Emperors of Japan

with the Order of the Garter.

Dr. Tsabouchi, who recently

completed a translation of all

works of Shakespeare, was to have

lectured at the Duke of Gloucester

palace at His Royal Highness'

special request, but he was

forced to decline the honour on

account of his old age and failing

health.

The remainder of to-day's pro-

gramme includes a garden party

given by the members of the

Japan-British Society, weather

permitting, in the beautiful

grounds of Shinjuku Palace, which

H.M. the Emperor has graciously

lent for the purpose.

After this His Royal Highness

will proceed to the Imperial

Theatre to see the performance of

Kabuki, an ancient, classical

drama of Japan.

This evening he is to attend a

banquet in the British Embassy

as the guest of the British Ambas-

sador, the Rt. Hon. Sir John

Tilley, G.C.M.G., C.B.

Rain Interferes.

Later.

The garden party was cancelled

owing to heavy rain; but later,

the weather cleared up and large

crowds assembled to witness the

March of H.M.S. Suffolk's Band

through the principal thoroughfares.

Headed by smartly turned

out detachments of Japanese Sea

Scouts, Boy Scouts and bluejackets,

the British Band proceeded

to Nijubashi, the picturesque

old entrance to the Imperial

Palace, before which the Bands-

men lined up. While a Japanese

Boy Scout band played the Bri-

British national anthem, H.M.S.

Suffolk's Band played the Japanese

national anthem. The crowds

were enthusiastic.

Later.

The Duke of Gloucester

had been kept busy carrying

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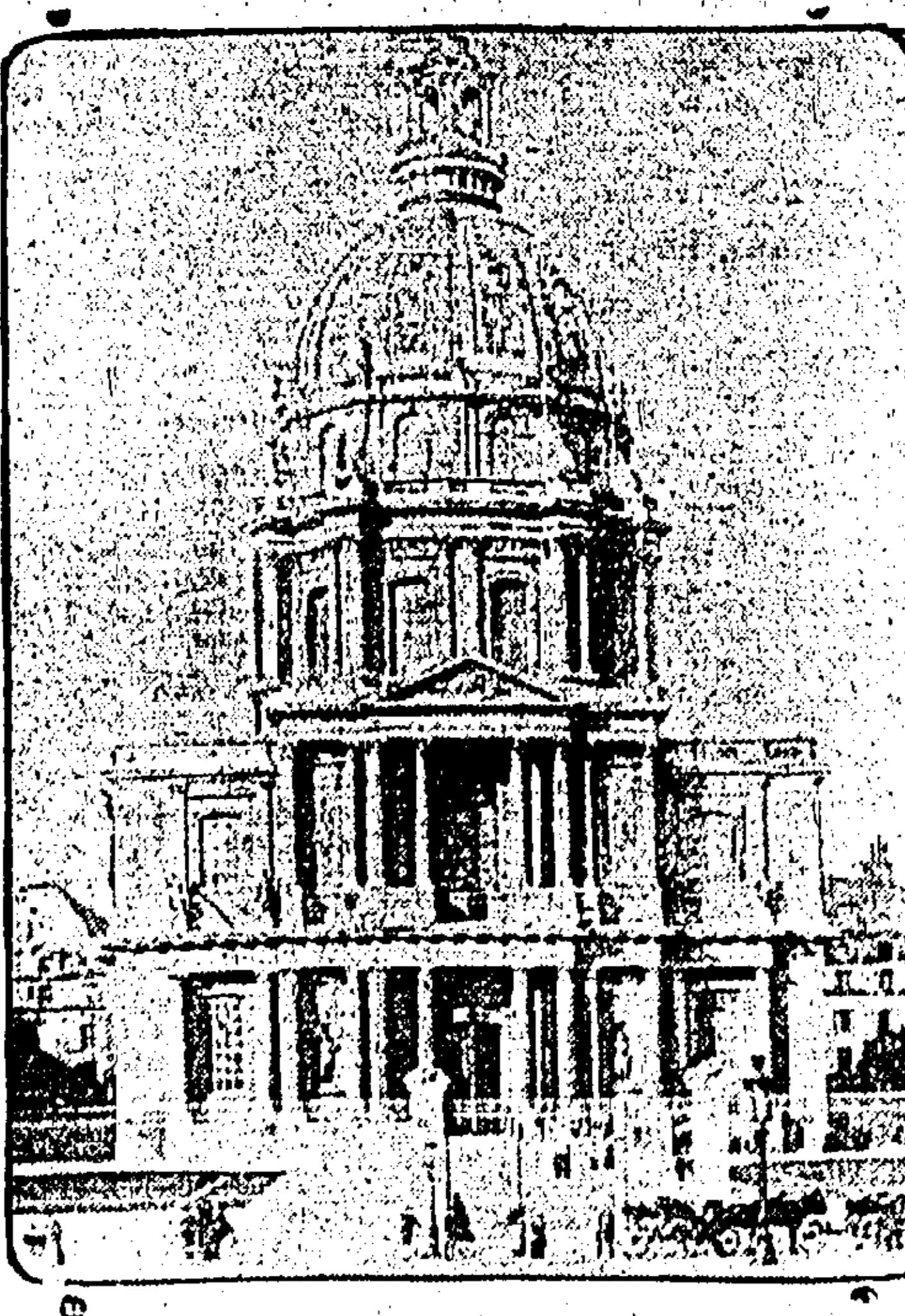
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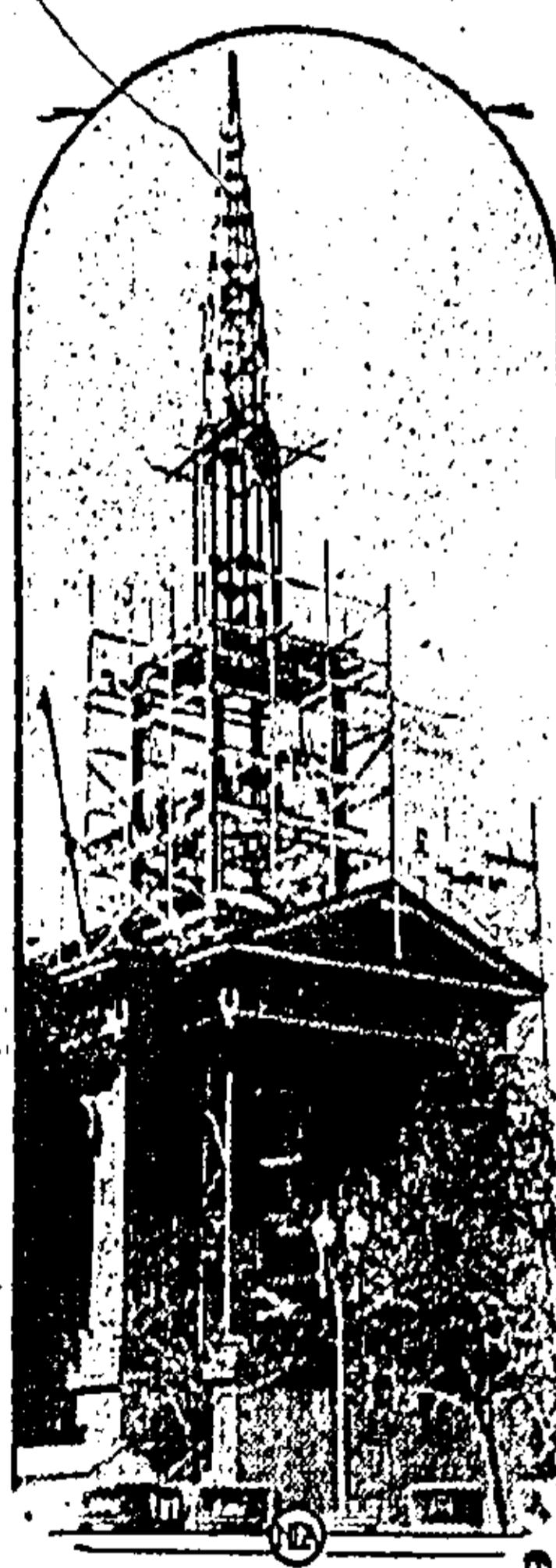
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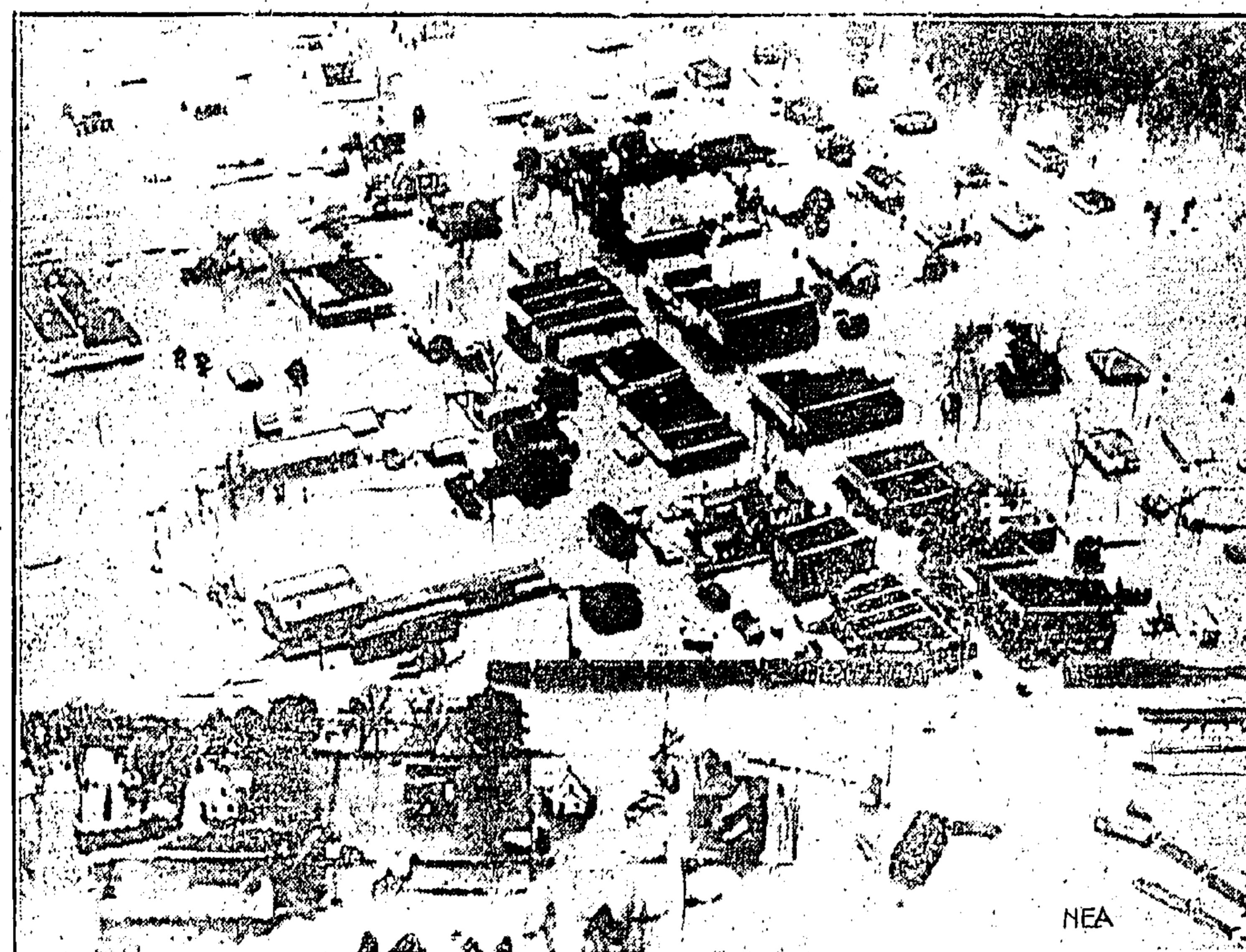
The freaks of an American tornado is illustrated above. Top picture shows where a school near Calhoun was "turned" right round, and the bottom shows a house completely wrecked with many casualties.



Our picture shows the last resting-place of Ferdinand Foch, Marshal of France, the greatest military chief since Napoleon, and therefore, appropriately buried alongside France's previous military hero. Marshal Foch was Generalissimo of the Allied Armies in France.



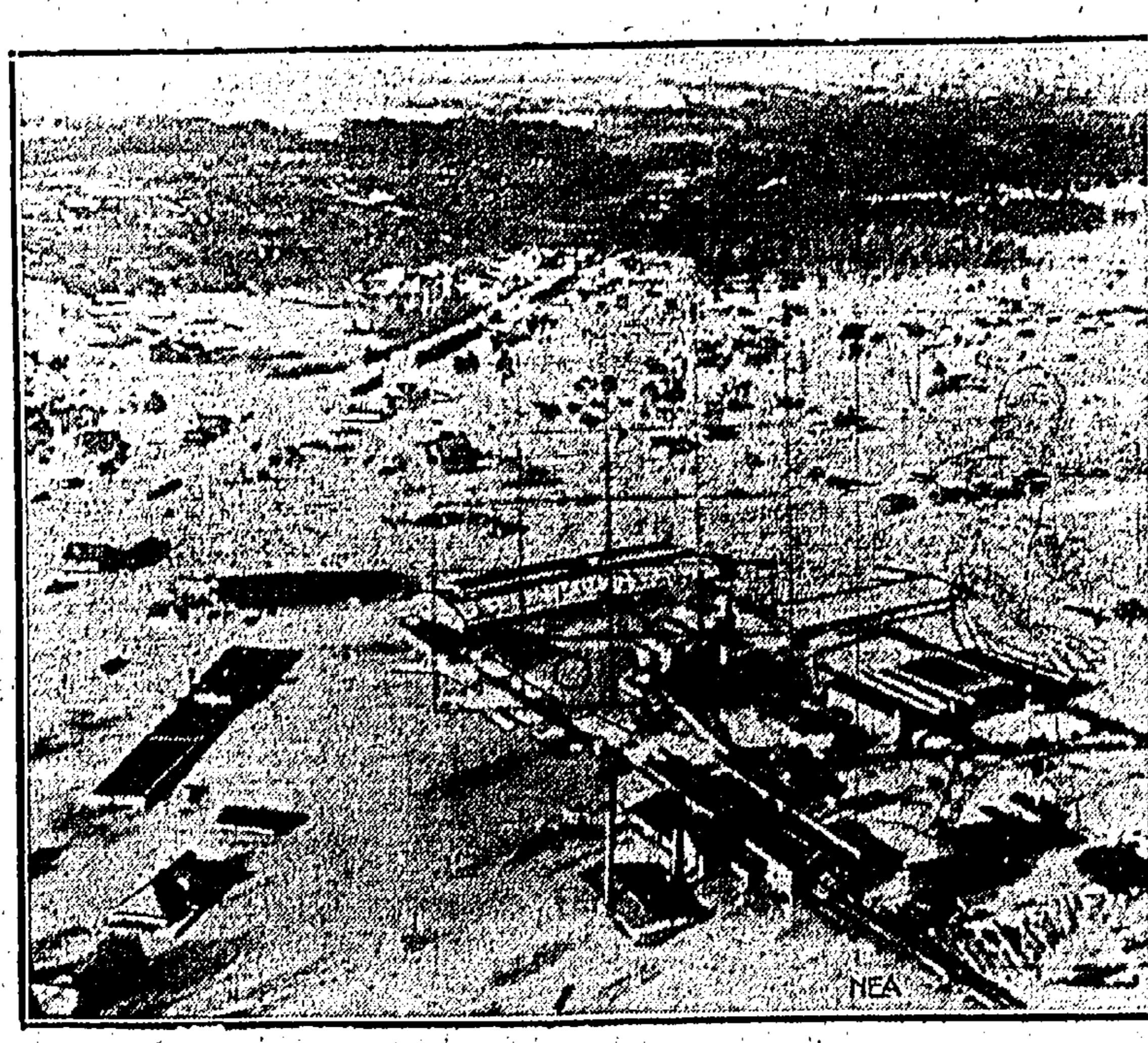
Descendants of Abraham Lincoln, who attended there, have provided funds for remodelling the historic New York Avenue Presbyterian Church at Washington as an aid to aviators. At the top of the high steeple a red light will flash intermittently to warn night flyers of danger in flying too low.



This remarkable picture represents the town of Elba, Alabama. Every building in the town was under water, and those observed above are only the higher premises in the business section of the city.



The wreckage of an apartment building in Missouri where two mysterious explosions occurred recently. Three persons were killed and ten injured. The explosions occurred between midnight and 3 a.m.



The floods in Alabama have been the worst for years. Our picture shows the roof of a big factory almost submerged. In many of homes in the distance, the water was up to the second storey.



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NOTICE.

The Half Yearly General Meeting of Voting Members will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hongkong Club Annex, on Friday, 17th May, 1929, at 5.10 p.m. By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary. Hongkong, 30th April, 1929.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fifth Extra Race-Meeting to be held on Saturday, 18th May and on Monday, 20th May, 1929, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club, and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday, 8th May, 1929.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS:

The Forty-eighth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on THURSDAY, the 23rd May, 1929, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1928.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 9th to the 23rd May, 1929, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 2nd May, 1929.

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Optional cargo will not be loaded here, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival, but carried from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th May, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 20th May, or they will not be recognised.

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HONGKONG IMPORTS.

MUCH ACTIVITY IN THE
PIECE GOODS MARKET.

The fortnightly Price Current and Market Report, published by the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce, states:

Cotton Piece Goods:

The following reports have been received:

There has been much activity in the market since the last report, sales having been reported of Brocades, Coloured Stripe and Check Poplins, Shadow Stripe Poplins and Limbries. Deliveries have fallen away badly, due to the lifting of the Japanese Boycott, a considerable quantity of Japanese piecegoods having been sent up-country during the last few days.

In the last fortnight cotton has slumped heavily and is cheaper now than it has been for many months.

Another report states:

Some fairly large orders for cheap quality cotton Brocades, Woven Check Poplins and Shadow Stripe Limbries have been settled. There is more enquiry for cottons for December and January shipment and some lines have been offered in Lawns and Art Silk Fancies. Manchester prices are a little easier but this is offset by weakness of exchange here. Clearances are difficult on account of tightness of money and fluctuation of Canton money, which is about 30/40c over Hongkong.

Woollens.

Buying of woollens is practically over and business has been limited to a few small lines.

Cotton Yarn.

The situation of our market has remained unchanged, and no business has been put through.

Nominal quotations are as follows:—No. 10s. \$170-188, No. 12s. \$180-190, No. 16s. \$190-195, No. 20s. \$195-200.

Arrivals 200 bales. Shipments nil. Sales nil. Unsold Stock 1,100 bales. Bargains 4,700 bales.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"BRINGING UP FATHER" NOW
SHOWING.

Packed houses yesterday witnessed the comedy film "Bringing Up Father," a celluloid picturization of the well-known American newspaper comedy strip by George McManus. Well-produced and with a continuity which is excellently arranged, it contains, in pictures and words, much of the intensely human features which have endeared the characters conceived by McManus to many newspaper readers.

Jiggs, Maggie, Dintie Moore and the rest of the crowd are all there, seemingly appearing in real life what the author would have of them in his cartoons.

"Bringing Up Father," which is being again shown to-day can be recommended as one of the best humour-producers of the season.

WUHAN LEADERS.

COMING DOWN TO
HONGKONG.

Shanghai, May 5. Yesterday Hu Tsung-tao, Hsi Wei and Tao Chun transferred from a British gunboat at Woosung to a Hongkong bound steamer. They were conveyed to the gunboat by arrangement with Chiang Kai-shek by the British authorities at Hankow, with the concurrence of the Kwangsi army.

Reuter.

WOMAN'S WORLD
FOR OUR LADY READERS.

Classic simplicity characterises the modern bridal gown, as witness this exquisite robe in oyster coloured satin belle, which has an old lace train caught at the hip with a large pearl buckram. The fine chiffon veil forms a most becoming head-dress under which peeps a dainty pearl bandeau.

Novel Furniture.

[By Shirley Carew.]

The latest innovation in the bridge-playing world is a set comprising a table and four chairs, all of which fold up easily and into little space.

Or black hardwood, ornamented with painted Chinese designs to resemble lacquer, in vivid blues and reds and golds, and fitted with beaten copper fish trays, the set is devised for outdoor as well as indoor use. The table is covered with a weatherproof cloth; similar to that used for cars, and painted with mandarin designs to accord with those on the chairs.

The same set can be bought in red, and not only is it a convenient novelty serving two purposes, but it brings with it a wave of optimism that Summer days are not so very far away.

The most delightful originality in lighting has just arrived from Paris.

It is in truth a standard lamp, but of such unique design that it merits detailed description.

Useful and Charming.

It is contrived in the form of a small tree, whose "trunk" is of oxidised silver, as are, too, its leaves. Its "fruits" are three creamy globes, fixed realistically amongst the foliage, and they hold the electric lights.

It gives excellent illumination, soft and clear, and stands about three feet in height.

It would make a charming and useful ornament for almost any room in the house, and costs £16.

Some cabinets come and some cabinets go, but those for cocktails go on for ever.

The most luxurious and daintiest of its kind is one of shagreen that is just a convenient height on a silver-gilded stand.

Dolphins' heads form its feet, and to accord there is a heavily ornamented drawer in which to keep all the "incidents" pertaining to the cocktail.

Beauty for the Eyes.

[By Lady Nelsh.]

A specialist told me everyone should gently massage her eyes. I never do it, for I am afraid of rubbing them, but if you take a lesson in massaging your eyes I believe it will save you congestion from over-tired eyes.

I exercise mine. Eye exercises are easy, simple, and beneficial.

Relax, lean back, don't hurry or frown. Just quietly turn your eyes to the right—five times—then to the left, then up and down, then sideways up and sideways down. Rest between each exercise, relaxing each time. Lastly, screw your eyes shut, hold them shut while you count ten, and release the tension very gently. This will help to keep at bay the lines under your eyes and the bagginess that must come in time, but which, happily, can be postponed.

It is you who can postpone it, but it will need regularity and patience—and you must expect "help" and not miracles.

Useful and Charming.

Silver embossed designs accentuate the beauty of the shagreen on the actual cabinet, and inside there are glass shelves all ready to receive cocktail shaker and glasses.

Mirror from Paris.

For the bed-room or the drawing-room nothing could serve such a useful and decorative purpose as this delicate mirror, fashioned entirely of glass.

It has only lately arrived from Paris, and it is hard to do it justice by bare description.

It has a glass frame and is three panelled, with a bevelled frame of coloured glass (deep blue). Dainty cut glass screws finish it off exquisitely, and the effect of the mirror glass, accented by the deep blue transparency of its glass frame, is almost liquid and distinctly ethereal.

A Clergyman's Views.

NEW VOTERS AND THE
HOME.

At the present moment it is a matter of importance to members of all political parties to know something of what the newly enfranchised women are thinking of the vote.

A clergyman gives below the result of an attempt he has made to gain the confidence of Eve in the matter and the revelations made are not so very startling after all.

Certain facts stand out after consideration of the views expressed.

The first is the utter absence of hostility to man, and the passionate desire to be allowed to live once again the normal home life with husband and children that used to be almost every woman's birthright.

The second is the amazing failure of the young women to realize that the possession of a vote and its proper use may be effective in bringing about or in hindering the very conditions they sign for.

It is evident that they do not see that housing conditions, unemployment, the cost of living, and, lastly, war, which has deprived thousands of women of the homes and husbands they should have had, are all included in the activities covered by that much misunderstood word politics.

They do not realize that the very best way to help the woman who craves for better homes and better children was to place her name on the Voters' List.

It is reassuring to find that home is still for woman the supreme interest, and this fact alone should satisfy all those who are fearful as to the results of extending the franchise to the younger women that her weight will not be thrown on the side of those who advocate revolutionary methods of solving her problems.

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The jumper of fine wool lace is La Mode's present fancy. This model is carried out in cobalt blue wool, with a pale grey suede belt and a pale grey georgette jabot fastened with a blue velvet bow.

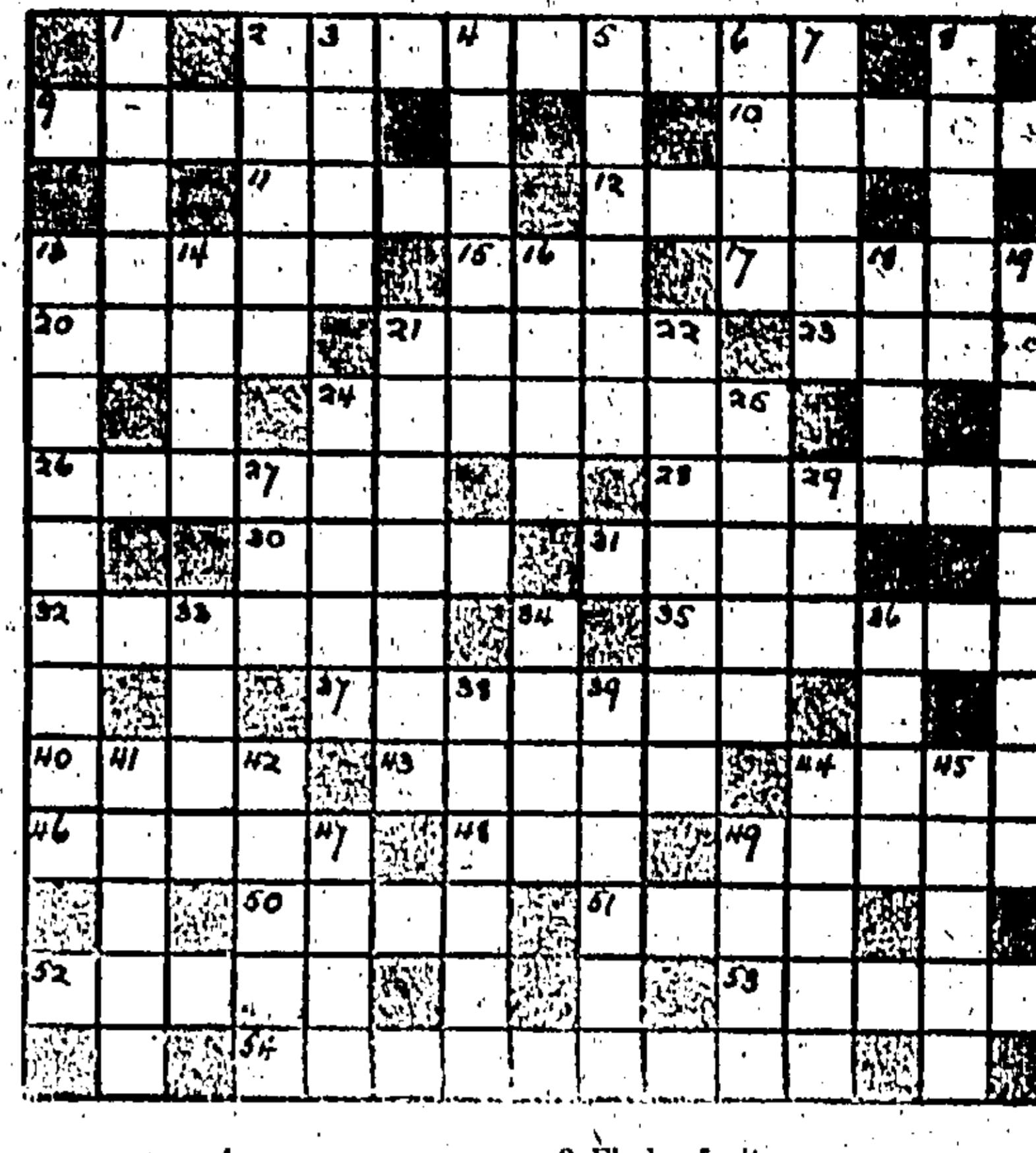
The director has cut a cross section from middle class life, and placed it on the screen in such a manner that millions of picturegoers will, in some character of the cast, recognize themselves.

The story begins with the life of an ambitious young clerk, employed by an institution which has hundreds more exactly like him. He becomes enamoured with a shop girl and the two romantically marry, without thought of the future.

Without thought of the future, spend a honeymoon sequence at Niagara Falls, street scenes from one end of New York City to the other, steamer excursions up the Hudson River, and dramatic action shot against the backgrounds of the great steel mills of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the big Kodak factories of Rochester, the Loop district of Chicago and the great automobile manufacturing plants of Detroit, Michigan.

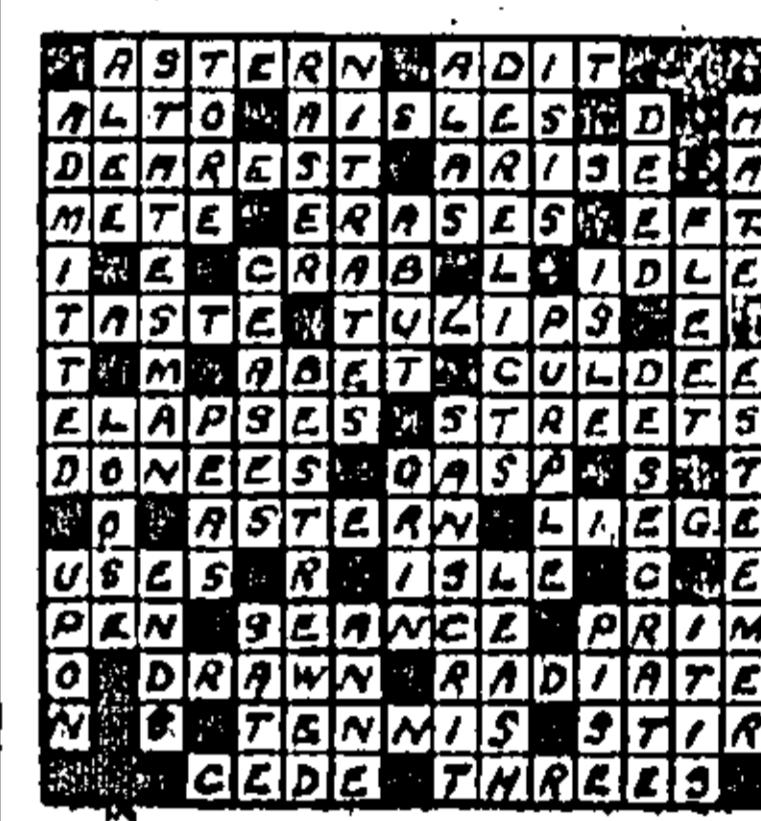
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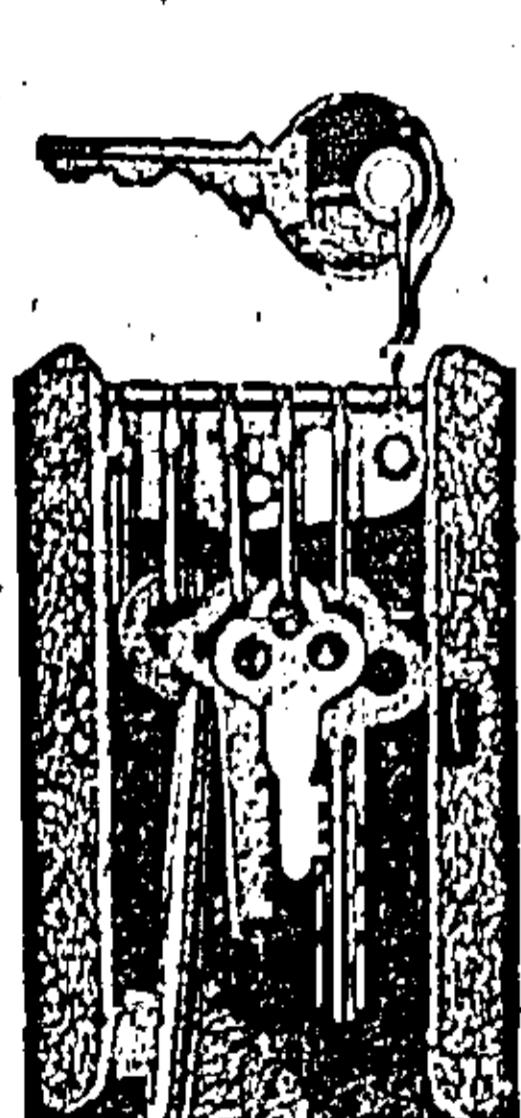
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Hongkong Telegraph.

MONDAY, MAY 6, 1929

BRITAIN & RUSSIA.

Judging from the cabled summaries of Party platforms which have come to hand, there are three or four big issues which are likely to figure prominently in the General Election which takes place in about three weeks' time. One of these, of course, is the unemployment question, in regard to which the Liberal and Labour 'deans bear close resemblance one to the other,' whilst the Conservative policy is somewhat lacking in positiveness. All the Parties, however, are obviously out after the working-class vote, in which connexion it is interesting to observe that they all announce their determination to deal with the slum problem. There are other domestic issues on which the Parties are competing for popular support, notably in regard to national pensions and maternity benefits. Very little has, however, been said about foreign politics, and we may take it that the election will be fought very largely on internal questions.

A great deal, however, is likely to be heard on the matter of Britain's attitude towards Russia. The Labour Party definitely stands for a resumption of diplomatic relations with the Soviet, and the Liberals also appear to favour the same course. On the other hand, the Conservatives are very suspicious of Russia's obvious desire for "friendship," and we imagine that in this matter they have the bulk of moderate opinion with them. If the comments of the Party papers reflect the official Liberal attitude on this matter, it would seem that Mr. Lloyd George and his colleagues favour a resumption of relations, but that they are quite definitely opposed to any revival of the proposal for a loan to the Soviet. Labour, however, has not made its position on this point at all clear. It is true that some little time ago Mr. Arthur Henderson made a vague statement which seemed to imply that a Labour Government would take up the 1924 Treaty where it was left off. The Treaty and the loan

were, it will be recalled, twin commitments, and it would be as well to know whether both are to be carried out if Mr. Ramsay MacDonald gets back into power. The Haldane autobiography, recently published, contained a rather disquieting revelation bearing on Labour's dealings with the Soviet. On the day that the London evening papers published news of the Treaty, Lord Haldane was questioned in the House of Lords, and he declared that he knew nothing about it. Afterwards, however, he discovered that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald had negotiated with the Russians without submitting the matter to Cabinet decision, being moved thereto, if Lord Haldane is correct, by pressure from a certain group of Labour members. As one of the political journals has put it, the public will naturally want to feel assured that there is no danger in the future of the supersession of constitutional government by back-stairs intrigue.

We are unable at this distance to gather how the electorate is reacting to the proposals for a resumption of relations with the Soviet, but we feel that if the Labourites give any impression that they are falling under the influence of Russia's subtle persuasion, they will suffer heavily for it at the polls. To the great majority of the British public, the Soviet's sneaking, underhand methods are utterly repugnant, and the recent happenings in Egypt have been sufficient to show how Russia's "trade agents" abuse their position for subversive purposes. Any Party which favours a renewal of relations with the Soviet, except under conditions providing the strictest guarantees against political plotting, will assuredly repel sane and balanced voters. Above all, there can be no question of British money being loaned to a Government whose past records show it to be animated with a consuming desire to break up the British Empire and spread anarchy over the face of the earth.

China War "Fears."

While the Feng-Chiang war clouds have not entirely dispersed, the threatened storm in North China appears to be blowing over. The extensive troop movements in Honan and Shensi are thought merely to be Feng's manner of showing that he is prepared for squalls, and meanwhile no effort is being spared to avert a clash. All reports emanating from country under the "Christian" General's control are careful to stress that the rumours of a breach in the cordial relation between Feng Yu-hsiang and Chiang Kai-shek are unfounded. The fact of the matter seems to be that Feng is not yet ready for a trial of strength, and that peace will be preserved unless Chiang makes an attempt to carry the dispute into his rival's country, a most unlikely eventuality. There seems to be no other explanation for the mildness of the ambitious war-lord, since he apparently has a very real grievance against Chiang Kai-shek, who made lavish promises in return for an avowal of his support against the Wuhan clique, and who has failed to carry them out on the success of the expedition. Feng was promised jurisdiction in Hupeh and Shantung, the negotiations with Japan being specially rushed through in order to make the occupation of Shantung possible.

On the fall of Hankow, Feng began to move troops into Hupeh for the purpose of taking over, but by this time Chiang had changed his mind, and the Kuomintang were forced to withdraw in order to avoid conflict. In Shantung, almost the same thing happened. Instead of getting undisputed control of the province, Feng Yu-hsiang found that Tsingtao and the whole of the eastern half were to be occupied by Chiang Kai-shek's subordinates. It seemed obvious that eventually joint control would be denied him, and he immediately ordered a withdrawal of his forces. There the position rests; for the moment,

one of the most delightful passages is, of course, the elaborate ritual in the Temple of Vulcan in the second act, and here Signor Maurelli was heard to great advantage.

This evening, the Italian Opera Company are giving "The Tales of Hoffmann."

DAY BY DAY.

HABIT IS A CARBON: WE WEAVE A THREAD OF IT EVERY DAY, AND AT LAST WE CANNOT BREAK IT.—Horace Mann.

Two further Chinese cases of typhoid were notified over the week-end.

The P. and O. s.s. Delta from Singapore, is due here at 6 a.m. on Thursday.

The P. and O. s.s. Malwa from Hongkong arrived at London on the 3rd May at 9 a.m.

The publishers of *China Truth*

state that that journal is in no way connected with the defunct *Canton Gazette*.

Passengers arriving here from Australia by the s.s. Tanda included Mr. H. D. Leggett, Mr. H. Bocock, Mr. & Mrs. T. M. Haslett, Mr. & Mrs. P. Sykes, Mr. H. E. McGowen, Mrs. B. L. Smith and Miss Aubrey. Sir Neil Malcolm came from Sandakan by the same boat.

St. John's Review, which has made its appearance, is the now form in which *St. John's Cathedral Notes* has been designed. It is a bright and readable production, with numerous contributions on topical matters, and contains some excellent illustrations of the exterior and interior of the Cathedral.

Charged with trespassing at Hankow Barracks, Shanshuiho, a Chinese was this morning fined \$4, or seven days' hard labour in default, by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy. The defendant said that he did not know he was not allowed to go to the barracks. He was looking for a friend when arrested.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, May 6.
Paris	124.17/4
Brussels	34.94
Amsterdam	12.06/4
Berlin	20.47/4
Copenhagen	18.20/4
Vienna	34.57
Helsingfors	103
Lisbon	103/4
Bucharest	815/4
Buenos Aires	47.5/10
Shanghai	2.67/2
New York	10.6/32
Geneva	25.10/4
Milan	92.69/4
Stockholm	18.15/4
Oslo	18.19/4
Madrid	33.92/4
Athens	375
Rio	5.67/64
Bombay	1/11/2
Hongkong	26.5/10
Silver (spot)	25.00/26
Silver (forward)	25.00/26

—British Wireless.

THE ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY.**GALA CONCERT AN IMMENSE SUCCESS.**

It may safely be said that the Italian Grand Opera Company made the hit of the season last night when it presented a delightful programme made up of the gems of the several operas in its repertoire. Despite the unpromising weather the attendance was a good one and the singing of the well-chosen selections was excellent throughout the varied programme.

It would be distinctly unfair to pick out any one of the several artists for special praise as they all did so splendidly, and all responded so willingly to the demands for encores that greeted their efforts.

Moreover certain of the selections made a greater appeal to the audience than others and their popularity was apt to override the merit of the singers who were assigned pieces less generally known.

If there were any outstanding singers they were Madame Hendrik and Signor Frere, both of whom brought down the house with delightful melodies. The concert was one which will be long remembered by those who had the pleasure of listening to it.

"Aida."

On Saturday, the Company played the intensely dramatic "Aida," before a fairly large audience, and its many delightful arias were beautifully rendered. Signor Giovanni gave a splendid performance as Radames, his singing and acting being of a very high standard throughout.

"Aida" was in very safe hands, and the closing scene was effectively produced.

One of the most delightful passages is, of course, the elaborate ritual in the Temple of Vulcan in the second act, and here Signor Maurelli was heard to great advantage.

This evening, the Italian Opera Company are giving "The Tales of Hoffmann."

POLICE RESERVE.**ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.**

Police Reserve Orders issued by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, acting Captain Superintendent of Police, state:

Chinese Company.

Squad Drill.—All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend at the Company's Headquarters on Tuesday, May 7th, at 6.30 p.m. sharp for Squad Drill under L/Sergeant R43 Ts'o Ohi On-Dress—Mufti.

"First Aid to the Injured"—Class for instruction in First Aid will be held at the Company's Headquarters on Wednesday, May 8th at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Signalling.—The Signalling Squad will attend at the Company's Headquarters for practice in Morse and Semaphore under Cr Sergeant R16 Ow. Yeung Kin Heng on Wednesday, May 8th at 6.30 p.m. sharp.

Annual Examination in Part 2.—The Examination in Part 2 of Training Course will continue at the Company's Headquarters on Thursday, May 9th at 5.30 p.m. sharp under Chief Inspector H. J. Paterson, Principal of the Police Training School.

Indian Company.

Parade.—All ranks of the Indian Company will parade at Polco Headquarters on Tuesday, May 14th for drill under Sergeant Condon. Fall in at 6.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—White Uniform and cap with white cover. No member may be absent from this parade without leave from the Company Commander.

Flying Squad.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Tuesday, May 7th. Fall in at the Tsim-tsa-tau Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Khaki Uniform.

Sharpshooters' Company.

"Defendu" Class.—The Defendu Class will be discontinued during the Summer months.

(Sgt.) W. KENT, A. S. P.

Adjutant.

BRIDGE MADE EASY

by
W.W. Wentworth

Abbreviations: A—ace; K—king; Q—queen; J—jack; X—any card lower than 10.)

Opening Blindly.

Further strategic leads against pre-emptive declarations are shown in the illustrations which follow, the declarer having won the contract with the first bid:

1—Declaration: five clubs.

West holds—Spades A J 10 6; hearts, Q 10 9; diamonds, K J 4; clubs, 4 3.

West should lead the club 4. Since the declarer has bid five clubs, it is most desirable to place the lead in his hand so that he may lead up to you. This may also prevent ruffing in the dummy.

2—Declaration: three clubs.

West holds—Spades, NONE; hearts, K J 10 5; diamonds, K 10 9 5; clubs, J 4 3 2.

West should lead the heart Jack. It is probable that the declarer is weak in hearts and has made the pre-emptive bid of three spades for that reason.

Correct opening leads at no trump without information from partner are exemplified in the following illustrations. South has bid no trump in each instance and west holds:

1—Spades, 6 5 2; hearts, K Q 4 3; diamonds, 10 7 3; clubs, 9 7 6.

West should lead the heart 3. It is the fourth from the longest and strongest suit. If the declaration were in a trump suit, the best lead would be the heart King.

2—Spades, K J 10 4; hearts, 8 7 2; diamonds, K J 10 4; clubs, 6 6 5.

West should lead the spade Jack. When holding two suits of equal strength it is best to lead from the major suit as the probability is that the declarer is weakest in the major suit.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced:—Commander the Hon. G. F. Hole, Harcourt Master, No. 405. The Peak, to Miss D. E. Astley; Mr. F. J. Norwood, No. 512, Nathan Road, Kowloon, to Miss R. F. Marcal, No. 72, Caine Road.

The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ended April 27, issued by the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, contained the following cases, the figures in parenthesis indicating deaths:

The Very Idea!

Take the step early, see that you have sufficient means; Never let your expenditure exceed your income; keep clear of clubs.

These are Sir Walter Runciman's hints to those about to marry. Lady Runciman and he are celebrating their diamond wedding in mall week.

Both Sir Walter, the cabin boy who became a wealthy shipowner, and his wife agree, in the words of the old music-hall song, that the sixty years "hasn't been a day too long."

Married when Sir Walter was a seaman, they have lived to become the owners of many ships and to see their son a Cabinet Minister. [Mr. Walter Runciman was formerly President of the Board of Trade and Minister for Education.]

Sir Walter's creed is:—

Life was never intended to be dull and tedious. Look at the bright side of things and you will find plenty to make you happy and contented.

"Though I am growing old in years, life weariness has not taken possession of me yet," he said.

Sir Walter believes that legislation can never bring equality of the sexes.

"Women look at things differently from men. Their mentality can never be altered. Women have not the spirit for government."

"A Scotsman, an Englishman, a Welshman, and an Irishman were going to a banquet, an unusual banquet by reason of the fact that each guest had to take something to supplement the feast. The Englishman took meat, the Welshman potatoes, and the Scotsman his brother."

CHINA LIGHT AND POWER.

SHAREHOLDERS APPROVE OF CAPITAL INCREASE.

TO-DAY'S MEETING.

At the extraordinary general meeting of the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., held this morning at the offices of Messrs. Shawan, Tomes and Co., the Chairman, Mr. R. G. Shawan, proposed four resolutions, all of which, after being duly seconded, were passed unanimously.

Those present were Mr. R. G. Shawan (Chairman), the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. C. H. da Roza, (Directors) Mr. N. Braga (Secretary), and Messrs. Alan Keith, F. A. Xavier, A. A. Botelho, A. H. Rumjahn, Tse Tsui-tai, Tang Hung-ka, R. Pestonji, W. G. Lawson, F. J. Tavares, J. Toppin, Capt. C. B. Riggs, and Capt. R. D. Thomas (shareholders).

The Resolutions.

The four resolutions proposed by the Chairman to be passed as Ordinary Resolutions were:

1.—That the authorised capital of the Company (which is now \$3,600,000 divided into 720,000 shares of the nominal value of \$5 each, the whole of which have been issued) be increased to \$6,000,000 by the creation of 280,000 additional shares of the nominal value of \$5 each ranking as from date of allotment for dividend, and in all other respects pari passu with the shares constituting the Company's present issued capital.

2.—That 80,000 of the said 280,000 additional shares be offered forthwith in the first instance (in the proportion of one new share for every complete number of nine existing shares held by them respectively) to the members of the Company who on the 6th day of May, 1929, are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of the said 720,000 shares at par and so that on acceptance of the offer the full nominal amount of \$5 due in respect of each such share taken up shall be paid not later than the 4th day of July, 1929; and that such offer be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the member is entitled and limiting a time within which the offer if not accepted by the member on behalf of himself or his nominee will be deemed to be declined, and that the Directors of the Company be at liberty to fix such time and to extend it to such dates and upon such terms as they may think fit. And further that any of the said 80,000 shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's shareholders in manner aforesaid be disposed of in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's Directors shall in their absolute discretion think fit.

3.—That no shareholder shall be entitled to any offer of a fraction of an additional share in respect of any odd share or share held by such shareholder.

4.—That the remaining 200,000 of the said 280,000 additional shares be issued in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms and conditions as the Company's Directors in their absolute discretion shall think fit.

The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga seconded the first proposal, Mr. J. Scott Harston the next, Mr. A. Keith the third and Mr. A. A. Rumjahn the fourth.

FIND OF 140 TOMBS IN ITALY.

WHERE HASDRUBAL MET WITH DEFEAT?

Florence, April 3. Discoveries made on the farm of Signor Solazzoli, of Fano, while the work was being done for a new vineyard, seem to suggest that one of the great puzzles of military history has at last been solved, and that the farm and its neighbourhood form the site of the famous battle of the Metaurus, in which Hasdrubal, the brother of Hannibal, met with defeat in 207 B.C.

Hasdrubal had been summoned by Hannibal to take part with him in a joint march on Rome, and had made his way through Gaul into Central Italy. The Romans after the battle of the Metaurus threw Hasdrubal's head into the camp of Hannibal as a sign of the complete defeat of his army.

The discoveries mentioned above consisted of 140 tombs, formed of large slabs of brick and containing skeletons, all of which were turned towards the East.

Under the armpit of each skeleton was a small empty amphora, but according to the statement of the workmen no object of personal use was discovered.

Scheme to Plant A Grove.

The theory has been brought forward that the presence of such a number of human remains on this plain, which confined the ancient course of the river, indicates the

PECULIAR LEGAL POINT.

TAKING OF WATER ILLEGAL UNDER COMMON LAW.

KOWLOON PROBLEM.

Under Section 54 of the Larceny Ordinance, three folks of one of the Holt's Wharf lighters appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on charges of larceny of a quantity of water. A boutwoman was charged with receiving a quantity of water, knowing the same to have been stolen or unlawfully obtained.

The section under which the three men were charged reads as follows:—"Every person who, being a clerk or servant or being employed for the purpose or in the capacity of a clerk or servants steals any chattel, money or valuable security belonging to or in the possession or power of his master or employer shall be guilty of felony, etc."

The three male defendants, when asked to plead, said they had wanted the water for their own consumption.

The woman said she saw a tap on Holt's Wharf running and put her bucket under the water.

Wrong Section.

His Worship:—They certainly cannot be charged under the section—54—that's mentioned on the charge sheet. Section 54 says "steals any chattel, money or valuable security."

Detective Sergeant Poyntz:—That particular section applies to servants. They are folks of the lighter.

His Worship:—Then it should be Section 55. I cannot convict under 54. It says "chattel, money or valuable security." It does not say water.

Sergeant Poyntz:—There is no reference in the Ordinance to stealing water. It is mentioned in Archbold as larceny at Common Law. There is reference to stealing electricity in the Ordinance. Section 54 is mentioned because they (the defendants) are employed as servants.

His Worship:—You must find another Ordinance which says that the stealing of water is unlawful. There is something in the Water Ordinance, but that doesn't apply in this case.

Sergeant Poyntz replied that he did not think the Water Ordinance would apply. Continuing, he said the defendants were employed as lighter coolies, and, as such, were entitled to draw water for their own consumption, but on this occasion an Indian watchman saw them transferring the water to the woman's boat. The matter was referred to Capt. C. B. Riggs, at whose instigation the defendants were taken before his worship.

His Worship:—How much are they alleged to have taken?

Took Ten Gallons.

Sergeant Poyntz:—Ten gallons. They filled a tank on the woman's boat.

His Worship, who had previously given instructions for a copy of Archbold's to be obtained, was handed the authority and read the passage indicated by Sergeant Poyntz. The reference stated:—"Water supplied by a water company to a consumer and standing in his pipes may be the subject of a larceny at common law."

Referring to the present case, Sergeant Poyntz said:—It is water standing still, but when it comes through the pipes it is at the expense of the Holt's Wharf.

His Worship:—I will hold it is a larceny of water under common law. I don't think that the Section (Section No. 54) in the Ordinance covers it.

Each of the four defendants was convicted and fined \$5.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following is the disposition of warships in port to-day:

Basin.—H.M.S. Tamar.

S. W. Basin.—H.M.S. Seaweed.

W. W. Dock.—H.M.S. Cornwall.

In Dock.—H.M.S. Marazion.

L20, L15.

No. 1 Buoy.—H.M.S. Hermes.

No. 6 Buoy.—H.M.S. Berwick.

Foreign warships.—U.S.S. Guernsey and French Argus.

spot of the battle of the Metaurus. And it has been noted that in all the surrounding neighbourhood where tombs have been found, they are all of the same formation. It now remains to be seen whether the Archaeological Museum of Ancona, in whose district these discoveries were made, will confirm the popular opinion that the tombs are Roman, and so settle the problem. Should confirmation be made, it is suggested that a commemorative grove would be planted on the site.

"Now, folks—Miss Snappy will sing one of those old melodies we all knew and loved so well back in the gay nineties."

THE BOMBAY RIOTS DEATHROLL.

CASUALTY LIST GROWING RAPIDLY.

SITUATION IMPROVES.

Bombay, May 5. After serious affrays extended over a week, the situation is showing signs of improvement. The Governor has issued an order prohibiting the collecting of stones or the carrying of weapons of any kind in public.

It is officially stated that the total casualties till this evening have been 21 killed and just over 200 badly injured.

Bombay, May 4. Sporadic assaults were still being reported at midnight. So far six have been killed and 60 injured.

Two hundred troops have been despatched to strategic points in the mill area.

The curfew is being extended from eight in the evening to six in the morning and is ordered all over the city for a fortnight except in the port area.

The rioters stoned pickets in Chinchpogli and the soldiers were forced to use their bayonets to disperse the assailants.

Situation Serious.

Later. Late last night, in view of the seriousness of the situation an auxiliary motor patrol was called out.—Reuter.

ALLEGED ATTEMPT AT BURGLARY.

SUSPECTED MAN'S EXCUSES IN COURT.

Awakened by a key being turned in the lock, at 4.15 this morning, a tenant of a floor at No. 45, Queen's Road West, rushed into the street and caught a man who was alleged to have been running away.

Charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Police Court, with attempting to commit a felony, the arrested denied that he was running, and, in reply to his Worship, who asked him what he was doing there at that time of the morning, said he had come away from a tea-house.

Replying to further interrogation, defendant said he was a vendor of cakes and other eatables on board a river-boat. He was on his way to buy bread before starting on the day's business.

Mr. Hamilton (to the prosecuting police officer):—Had he any money on him when he was arrested?

The officer replied in the negative, and defendant was then asked how he proposed to buy bread without money. He replied that he was on his way home to get some money and at the same time he was taking a basket to hold the bread in.

He was remanded for further enquiry.

The Hon. Treasurer of the St. John Ambulance Brigade acknowledges the receipt of the following donations to the Brigade Funds: Messrs. the Kwong Sang Hong \$50, Ko Leong-hoe, Esq., \$50, Tung Hing Knitting Factory \$25, Anonymous \$20.

PARIS REPARATION DEADLOCK.

FORECAST OF MR. YOUNG'S NEW PROPOSALS.

COMPROMISE EFFORT.

London, May 5. In French circles it is stated that Mr. Owen D. Young's scheme for settlement of the reparations deadlock, the first hint of which was given yesterday, provides for the payment by Germany of an annuity of G. Mks. 2,060,000,000 for a period of 37 years.

This compares with the proposals by the creditor Powers for the payment of an annuity of G. Mks. 2,200,000,000.

War debts would, moreover, be covered, while necessary by Reich payments out of part of the profits of the projected International Bank.

It is understood that the German reservations are of political character and aim at safeguarding Germany's future engagements relative to carrying out the plan.—Reuter.

Offer Considered.

Paris, May 4. The sun appears to be breaking through the clouds hanging over the Reparations conference.

The Chairman, Mr. Owen Young (American), has drawn up a compromise scheme which he informed the delegates this afternoon Herr Schaeft had accepted with certain reservations. Although the allied delegations did not immediately go so far as Herr Schaeft, no one raised a voice to reject the proposals, which all agreed to consider.

A decision cannot be reached, however, before Tuesday, as the French delegate, M. Moreau, is at present away in the provinces.

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The engine, which contains many aluminium parts liable to rapid corrosion in sea water, was immediately got out and taken to the club hangar, where it was dismantled and precautions taken to prevent corrosion. The remains of the wings and fuselage are still at the King's Dock.

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WATER REGULATIONS.

FINES FOR WASHING NEAR FOUNTAINS.

Several leading local vocalists will assist in a concert which is being arranged to take place at the new Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, under the patronage of the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn and Mrs. Southorn on Saturday, May 11.

FEARED LOSS OF A SEAPLANE.

SINGAPORE CLUB MACHINE CAPSIZES IN SEA.

DISASTROUS TOW.

Singapore, April 27. As the result of an accident which occurred yesterday afternoon it is feared that one of the Singapore Flying Club's seaplanes is a total loss.

The accident occurred in alighting. The machine, in which were an instructor and his pupils, came down on to the water normally, but while it still had a certain amount of speed the pilot noticed some driftwood which might have damaged his floats, and he turned to avoid it. Apparently his speed was too great, for one wing tip got under water and the machine turned over.

Fortunately it happened slowly, and the occupants were able to climb out on the floats and wait there to be rescued. A strong current immediately caught the partially submerged machine and swept it out towards the heads, where it was overtaken by launchas and the occupants rescued.

Help was quickly forthcoming. Another instructor who was in the air saw the machine floating between the heads and promptly alighted beside her. Finding that the occupants were in no danger, he took off again and returned to Tanjong Pagar, where he obtained the services of a Harbour Board tug. This craft promptly left for the scene, with several members of the Flying Club who had been notified of the accident by a telephone message from the Kepel Harbour Golf Club and were then seeking assistance.

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After hearing the evidence of the constable who made the arrest, His Worship registered a conviction and imposed a fine of \$2.

In another case the defendant informed His Worship that she had only just arrived from the country and did not know the local regulations.

His Worship:—I am afraid that a lot of people are ignorant of this law but I must convict and fine you \$2.

THE PHILIPPINES GOVERNORSHIP.

GENERAL MCCOY FAVOURABLE FOR POST.

Washington, April 30. President Hoover is believed to be strongly inclined towards General Frank B. McCoy for the post of Governor General of the Philippine Islands.

He presently intends to defer the appointment for several months, however, as Acting Governor General Gilmore is administering to his satisfaction.

General McCoy is chairman of the Paraguay-Bolivian commission on conciliation and it probably will be many weeks before the commission completes its affairs.

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AMERICAN BASEBALL.

HOW THE LEAGUE TEAMS
NOW STAND.

New York, Apr. 30.
Results of yesterday's baseball
games were:

National League.

	R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	5	9	0
Chicago	4	8	1
Brooklyn	2	4	0
New York	0	3	1
Boston	14	16	2
Philadelphia	12	18	1

American League.

	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	6	12	0
Detroit	5	10	2
Chicago	8	14	1
Cleveland	4	9	1
Washington	9	17	2
New York	10	13	4
Boston	4	9	1
Philadelphia	1	4	0

New York, May 1.
Matches played yesterday resulted as follows:

National League.

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	4	10	2
Cincinnati	4	13	0
(13 innings)			

	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburgh	4	15	4
St. Louis	4	14	2
(13 innings)			

New York-Brooklyn, rain

American League.

	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	24	29	0
Boston	6	13	5
St. Louis	4	10	0
Cleveland	3	8	1

Boston-Philadelphia, rain

Detroit-Chicago, rain

STANDING OF TEAMS.

National League.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	7	2	.777
St. Louis	7	5	.583
New York	4	3	.571
Chicago	6	6	.500
Pittsburgh	5	5	.500
Cincinnati	5	7	.416
Philadelphia	4	6	.400
Brooklyn	4	7	.363

American League.

	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	9	4	.692
Philadelphia	8	4	.666
New York	6	3	.666
Chicago	6	5	.545
Detroit	6	8	.428
Boston	4	6	.400
Cleveland	5	9	.357
Washington	3	7	.300

FILIPINO CLUB.

TEA AND DINNER PARTY.

A tea and dinner party was held at the Filipino Club house yesterday, when the prizes won at the recent Ping Pong and Mah-jongg tournaments were distributed by Miss Lourdes Singjian, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Singjian, well-known residents of Manila.

Following were the prize-winners in the Ping Pong Tournament:

Championship—1st, M. Dandan; 2nd, A. E. H. Castro.

Handicap—1st, A. E. H. Castro, 2nd, D. Bautista.

Ladies Championship—1st, Mrs. Norah Castro, 2nd, Mrs. Kitty Gonzalez.

FANLING GOLF.

THE CAPTAIN'S CUP.

For the Captain's Cup, played at Fanling over the week-end, G. E. Costello qualified with a score of 74 (91-17). Other scores were:

O. E. C. Marton 75 (Scr)—75
R. Young 87—10=77
N. L. Smith 85—7=78
E. des Voeux 93—14=79
T. C. Monaghan 89—9=80

AGE OF MARRIAGE.

NOW RAISED TO SIXTEEN YEARS IN BRITAIN.

London, May 4.

The Bill to raise the legal age of marriage to sixteen years for both sexes passed through all its stages in the House of Commons yesterday without opposition. Only Royal Assent is now necessary to make it effective. Hitherto, the legal age has been twelve for girls and fourteen for boys.—British Wireless.

A Tudor fireplace has been discovered at the Mitre Hotel, Oxford. This is the second to be found within a year.

NEW K.O.S.B. FRAUD
SENSATION.

(Continued from Page 1.)

to the regiment some time before Major Blake took over the duties of P.R.I. He asked Corporal Hendry for a receipt. It was not forthcoming and Major Blake thereupon applied to the N.A.A.F.I. and asked them for a receipt. He then found that the cheque had been cashed but had not been utilised for the purpose for which it was intended.

Examined regarding the billiard table accounts, Major Blake said that the tables were hired from the N.A.A.F.I. and were paid through rebate. The money was paid to Corporal Hendry. It should have been paid into the bank and credited to general P.R.I. account. There was an entry "cleaning materials."

A Deficit.

Mr. Wadeson:—When you took over the duties of P.R.I. there was a deficit?—Yes. I found that there were a number of outstanding debts and no money to meet them. At first it looked as if there were a credit, but there were a good many outstanding bills.

What are the sources of revenue of the P.R.I.?—Robes from the N.A.A.F.I., tailor, shoemaker, barber, etc., and also our own little trading concern. And various other odd little things.

The Advocate:—Is there a charge against the accused for making a false entry in the books, in connexion with this cheque I mean?

Mr. Wadeson:—No.

Couldn't Be Definite.

Major Blake continued that as far as he could remember, Corporal Hendry paid the cheque into the bank, but he could not be definite on that point. He had thought, paid some of the cheques into the bank himself. As a matter of fact he had never done the duty of P.R.I. before, but it was customary for the Major to do in the regiment. This was the usual procedure.

Another cheque was produced in Court, for the sum of \$115. Major Blake stated that there was no entry in the books and no evidence of it having been received by the party for whom it was intended. "As far as I know, anyway," he added.

Mr. Wadeson:—Have you examined the books?—Yes. There is no entry as far as I can see.

Major Blake was cross-examined by Mr. Strellett, counsel for the accused.

Were you deemed to be struck off duty when you were appointed P.R.I.?—Yes. Of course, P.R.I. is my principal duty, but I also have other regular duties.

All Have to Learn.

You have told us quite frankly that you have never done the job of P.R.I. before. Is it not a job which requires special study? Is it not a job with which officers who have never before been in the P.R.I. office would not be acquainted?—I suppose you are more or less right, but we all have to learn.

The ordinary battalion duties would not give you an insight into the duties of P.R.I.?—We all have to learn our job, the same as other people.

I think I am right in saying that the P.R.I. deals with public funds?—No. They are purely regimental funds.

Including the "Tattoo Fund" and the "Poppy Fund"?—They are purely regimental.

Have you any orders to guide you?—Of course.

Responsible for All.

What duties should be undertaken by the P.R.I. personally?—He is responsible for all. I am obviously responsible for all duties.

What are the exact duties which devolve or which may be assigned to the clerk?—Just what the P.R.I. chooses to tell him.

He is entitled to assign to him anything he thinks fit?—Not exactly. The handling of money should be done by the P.R.I. If he allows the clerk to do so, then he must necessarily accept the full responsibility.

Further cross-examined, Major Blake said he definitely told Corporal Hendry to pay all cash in hand into the bank.

Mr. Strellett:—Wasn't it possible that you did that about last November?—Corporal Hendry was on musketry, and it was difficult to get hold of him, and I decided from what I saw not to have any cash in hand. I thought there was too much cash in hand.

Witness admitted to counsel for the prosecution that he drew cheques for cash on account of extra-duty pay and cook's wages, amounting to \$103 and \$59 respectively.

The Court Martial is sitting again this afternoon to hear further witness.

UNUSUAL WRITING
ON CHEQUES.

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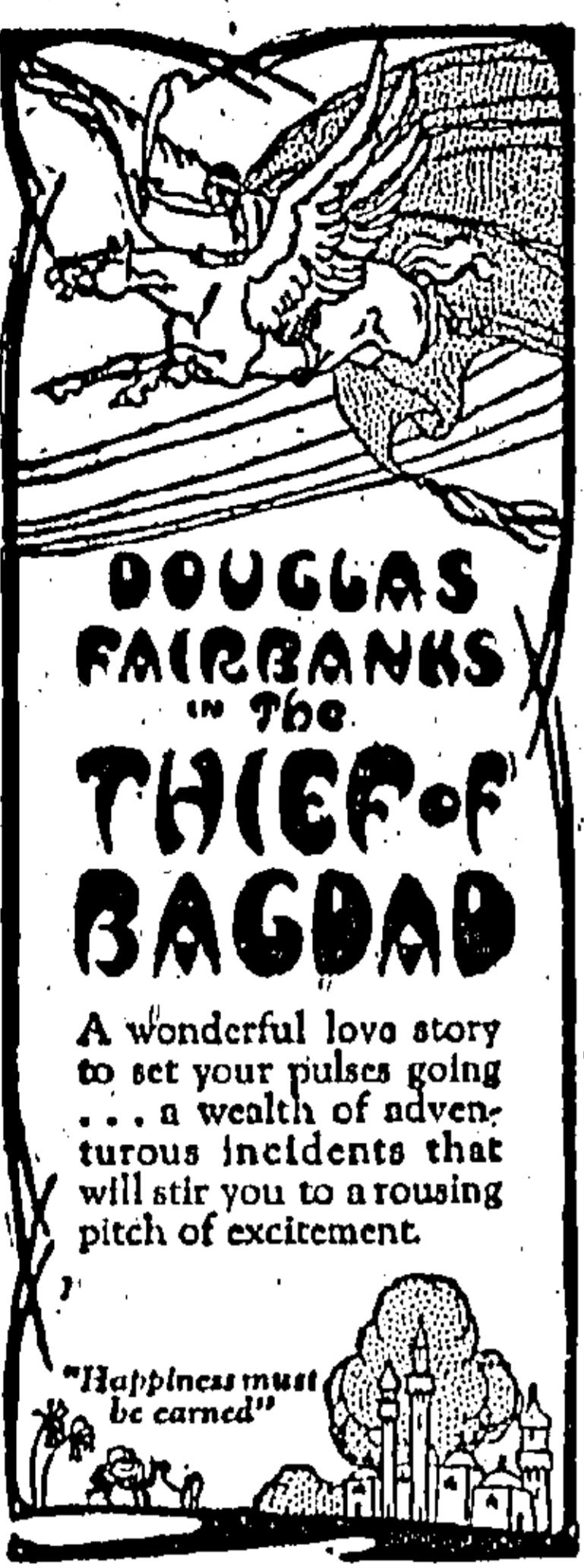
Do you say that on that examination you can say they have been in use for eight years?—No.

You said Carvalho Yeo was often in the office at fifteen times?—Yes. In common with other clerks. —Mr. Mousa always, and a shroff.

Re-examined by Mr. Sheldon for the Government, witness said that Yeo would have the right to go to the safe to get books out and put them back again. The cheque books were in the same safe.

The principal warden in charge of the printing department at Victoria Gaol was called and gave details of the printing done to Government cheques. He said that all the printing was

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SCHOOL SPORTS.

SACRED HEART COLLEGE ANNUAL MEETING.

Although the prevailing conditions were far from ideal, the annual athletic meeting of the Sacred Heart College, which was held on the Kowloon Football Club ground on Saturday afternoon, proved a great success, and in spite of the bad weather, the competitors took part in the numerous events with the greatest keenness.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga distributed the prizes to the successful competitors. Before doing so the Hon. Mr. Braga addressed the gathering in the following terms:

To say that I enjoyed immensely the excellent sport provided on this excellent field so kindly placed at your disposal by the Kowloon Football Club this afternoon can only be a commonplace remark. I can assure you that in the field of sport as in the sphere of learning you students of the Sacred Heart College are creating a tradition for this comparatively young institution of yours, and which, in time, is bound to make a great name for itself among the leading colleges in Hongkong.

It is the privilege of every student to be proud of his own school. In the same way, it becomes a duty of the same student to uphold the name of his school, that it can enjoy a reputation equal to the best in the Colony. It is not enough that your University and collegiate examination results should equal those of the other schools that have produced students who have been a credit and an honour to their College; but by deportment and example you have a duty to your headmasters and your teachers to uphold the good name of your school.

Football Rowdyism.

In this respect you will permit me a little word of advice. I hope this advice will be taken to heart for the good that will result therefrom and for the better understanding and good-will we all are striving to create in this cosmopolitan home of ours. There has, of late, been a tendency towards exhibitions of rowdyism at the conclusion of occasional football matches. A little restraint and tolerance will convince how futile and foolish are these manifestations of temper that do nobody any good but much unnecessary harm to the exhibitors themselves. Far be it from me to suggest, even remotely, that students of the Sacred Heart College are guilty of any reprehensible misbehaviour in the football field. If I have spoken as I have done, it is with the purpose of enlisting your co-operation to secure a condition as nearly ideal as possible between players and spectators on the occasions of matches on the football ground.

Recommendation to Government. That the schools of Hongkong do receive every encouragement for healthy outdoor recreation goes without saying. Without disclosing any official secret, I find the greatest pleasure in letting you know that, in association with the Chinese representative for Kowloon on the Legislative Council, I took part at a recent conference, as a result of which a recommendation has been forwarded to His Excellency the Governor for a large open space within the Kowloon Tong district to be allotted to the schools at Kowloon as an extensive playing field. Knowing, as we do, Sir Cecil Clementi's solicitude for education in Hongkong and the personal interest he takes in its scholars, we need entertain no doubt that the recommendation will receive His Excellency's sympathetic consideration.

The Sportsman's Spirit. I have said more than I had intended at first. I just wish to add that you keep up these very enjoyable annual sports meetings of yours and that you continue to be as successful at school as you have shown yourselves to be at outdoor sports. Cultivate the real sportsman's spirit—the spirit of co-operation and of give and take. Believe me, if you are determined not to depart from the spirit of give and take, you cannot fail to make good students of the Sacred Heart College, successful business men when you are called upon to play the more important game in the battle of life, and worthy citizens of the Colony of Hongkong.

The Results.

The successful competitors in the following events were:

Long Jump (Junior).—1, Lee Chung-wing; 2, Leung Shiu-man. Length: 17 ft. 2 ins.

Long Jump (Senior Champion).—1, Ip Koon-hung; 2, Lam Hoo-yin. Length: 19 ft. 3 ins.

High Jump (Junior).—1, Lee Chung-wing; 2, Lee Chung-wing. Height: 4 ft. 6 ins.

High Jump (Senior Champion).—1, Lam Hoo-yin; 2, Ip Koon-hung. Height: 5 ft. 2 ins.

100 Yards Flat Race (Junior Handicap).—1, Leung Shiu-man; 2, Lee Hing-long.

120 Yards Flat Race (Senior Championship).—1, Ip Koon-hung to be won three years in succession, 1928 won by Ip Pak-wa).—1, Lam Hoo-yin; 2, Ip Koon-hung. Time: 12 secs.

Small Boys' Race (50 Yards Handicap).—1, Fung Kam-wa; 2, Ho Chui-ming.

220 Yards (Junior challenge cup).—1, Leung Shiu-man; 2, Cheng Man-bin.

200 Yards (Senior Championship).

AN ISLAND EVENT.

CHEUNG CHAU SCHOOL HOLD ANNUAL MEETING.

Cheung Chau Island was visited by a large number of people on Saturday when the Cheung Chau Government School held its Seventh Annual Sports Meeting, among those present on the school's grounds being Mr. E. Ralphs, the Acting Director of Education, Dr. and Mrs. North, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Franklin, Messrs. G. G. Alabaster, K.C., G. E. Wetton, R. E. Greensmith, Mrs. Davis, and the heads of the Kafongs.

The Government Schools in Hongkong were invited to send teams over to Cheung Chau to take part in the team race, and those chosen to represent their respective schools were conveyed to the island by the "Stanley," thanks to Mr. Ralphs.

As there were no less than 30 events on the programme, the meeting commenced at 11 a.m. The students all showed keen interest and some very interesting contests were seen.

Before asking Mr. Alabaster to give away the prizes, Mr. Hon Kau-fung, the Headmaster of the school, thanked those present for their interest in the school and expressed his regret that Mrs. Southorn could not distribute the prizes as arranged. He, however, added that he was grateful to Mr. Alabaster for so kindly consenting to take her place.

In conclusion, he thanked all those who had donated towards the prize fund, especially mentioning the Wing On, the Sun and the Chosen Companies, the Commercial Press, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern and Mr. Li Yau-sun. His thanks were also due, he said, to the sports committee for their untiring spirit and efforts throughout the day in making the meeting the success that it was.

After the prizes were distributed, cheera were given for Mr. Alabaster and Mr. Ralphs.

1, Ip Koon-hung; 2, Lam Hoo-yin; Small Boys' Race (100 Yards).—1, Fung Kam-wa; 2, Lin Kai-lim.

Arithmetic Race.—1, Leo Koo-leung; 2, Leung Hing-long; 3, Lam Yu-kam.

Staff Race.—1, Shak Tak-on; 2, Tsang Koon-ho; 3, Shak Chang-shan.

400 Yards.—1, Chang King-chee; 2, Lam Ho; 3, Cheung Ping-lum.

440 Yards (Senior Championship).—1, Tsang Loeng; 2, Lam Hoo-yin; 3, Cheung Ping-lum.

Old Boys' Race (220 Yards).—1, Cheung Kee-pong; 2, Fung Tat-sang.

120 Yards (for Boy Scouts).—1, Poon Kai-cheng; 2, Leung Koo-lo; 3, Lam Chu-lin.

Half Mile Flat Race.—1, Ip Koon-hung; 2, Kwok Hin-kwong; 3, Cheung Ping-jam.

Small Boys' Race.—1, Lin Kai-lim; 2, Wu Shu-yin; 3, Lam Tim-kuen.

50 Yards Slow Bicycle Race.—1, Lam Hin-kuen; 2, Tsang Shui-ki.

Small Boys' Race (440 yards).—1, Tsang Kam-ta; 2, Wong Sun-yam; 3, Lam Tim-kuen.

Obstacle Race (50 Yards, Senior and Junior).—1, Lam Hoo-chen; 2, Woo Ting-sung.

One Mile Flat Race.—(Senior and Junior): 1, Tsang Loeng; 2, Kwok Hin-kwong; 3, Lam Ho.

Junior Hurdle (120 Yards).—1, Lee Chung-wing; 2, Leung Shiu-man.

Senior Hurdle (120 Yds, Championship).—1, Liu Hoo-yin; 2, Li Wah-bi.

Half Mile (Open).—1, C. Figueredo; 2, A. Carvalho; 3, W. Lawrence.

Candle Race.—1, Woo Ting-sam and Miss Mak Shiu-tsang; 2, Ip Koon-hung and Miss Chu Wan-ming.

Staff Race (440 yds).—1, Shak Tak-on; 2, Tsang Koo-lu; 3, Wong Shing-shak.

One Mile Bicycle Race.—1, Lam Ho-kuon; 2, Wun Kam-ming; 3, Cheung Ping-lum.

Needle Race.—1, Ho Kui-chu and partner; 2, Ip Koon-hung and partner.

Team Race (Junior).—Won by Class II.

100 Yards Consolation Race (Small Boys).—1, Ng Lut-wai; 2, Chan Chu-hung.

160 Yards Ambulance Race.—1, Ng Sun-fook; 2, Au Yeung-kin.

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Athletics Committee.—Capt. R. B. Roper, 3/16th Punjab Regt.; Lieut. H. A. Kelly, 2nd King's Own Scottish Borders; Lieut. A. J. F. Sargent, R.A.; Lieut. C. E. C. Burton, R.A.; Lieut. D. G. G. MacDonald, R.E.; Lieut. L. H. Bradshaw, 1st Somerset Light Infantry; and Lieut. J. R. I. Platt, 1st Somerset Light Infantry (Hon. Secretary).

Referee.—Col. J. McD. Haskard, C.M.G., D.S.O.

Track Events, Chief Judge.—Capt. P. C. Perfect, 2nd Bn. K.O.S.B.

Judges.—Capt. J. R. Vedder, 8/16th Punjab Regt.; Capt. R. L. O. Carew, R.A.; Lieut. R. F. Wright, R.A. and 2/Lieut. H. J. Alms, 1st Bn. Somerset, L.I.

Field Events, Chief Judge.—Capt. O. G. B. Philby, 1st Bn. Somerset, L.I.; Judges.—Lieut. C. E. C. Burden, R.A. and Lieut. J. D. Welch, 2nd Bn. K.O.S.B.

Tug-of-War.—Won by R.A. from K.O.S.B. in two straight pulls in the final.

Inter-Unit Aggregate Cup.—Won by K.O.S.B.; Runners-up, R.A.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

CHINA COMMAND MEETING SUCCESSFUL.

Commenced on Friday, the athletic sports meeting of the China Command was brought to a successful conclusion on Saturday at Soo-panoo. Intermittent drizzle, somewhat marred the enjoyment of the spectators, who included a large number of ladies, in addition to the officers and men of the different units of the Command.

Principal interest was centred in those events which counted for the Inter-Unit Aggregate Cup, the units participating being the Royal Artillery, the Hongkong-Singapore Brigade, R.A., 1st Somerset Light Infantry, 2nd King's Own Scottish Borders, and the 3/16th Punjab Regiment.

The 330 yards relay proved to be one of the most exciting, due to the keen spirit of rivalry displayed between the R.A. and the Scottish Borders.

The last lap saw a terrific tussle between their representatives, one man passing the other alternatively, until, with a final spurt, the Artillery man just managed to beat his opponent by a touch.

Borderers' Win.

However, the Scottish Borders eventually had the greater number of points, which won for them the Aggregate Cup. The scores of the various units were as follows:—K.O.S.B., 49 points; R.A., 47 points; Somerset L.I., 37 points; Punjab, 26 points; H.K.S.B., R.A., 17 points; and Small Units, 3 points.

At the conclusion the trophies were distributed by the General Officer Commanding, H. E. Major-General J. W. Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. His Excellency congratulated the K.O.S.B. on winning the Aggregate Cup, and had a word of encouragement to offer to the Indian units who had participated most successfully with the other men of the Command at the meeting.

Thanks were expressed to Colonel Comyn for allowing the Band of the King's Own Scottish Borders to play during the afternoon, to the musicians for the entertainment provided by them, and the Sports Committee for the excellent arrangements.

The Results.

Following were the results:

Three Miles Team Race.—1st, H.K.S.B.; 2nd, R.A. (Time: 16 mins. 54secs.); 2nd, Punjab.

Pole Jump.—1st, K.O.S.B. (Aggregate Height: 37ft.); 2nd, Punjab. Half Mile Relay.—1st, K.O.S.B. (Time: 8 mins. 64.4/5secs.); 2nd, S.L.I.

220 yards Relay.—1st, K.O.S.B. (Time: 1 min. 36.3/5secs.); 2nd, R.A.

Long Jump.—1st, R.A. (Aggregate Distance: 37ft. 8 1/4ins.); 2nd, K.O.S.B.

220 yards Enlisted Boys' Race.—1st, Boy Morris, R.A. (Time: 26.4/5secs.); 2nd, Boy Thorogood, S.L.I.; 3rd, Boy Oliver, R.A.

120 yards Hurdles Relay.—1st, K.O.S.B. (Time: 1 min. 16.2/5secs.); 2nd, S.L.I.

440 yards Relay.—1st, R.A. (Time: 3 mins. 42.1/5secs.); 2nd, K.O.S.B. Putting the Shot.—1st, R.A. (Aggregate Distance: 6ft. 3ins.); 2nd, S.L.I.

Open Mile Race.—1st, Abdul Afur (Time: 5 mins. 3 secs.); 2nd, Rakha Singh; 3rd, Inday Singh.

100 yards Relay.—1st, R.A. (Time: 43.3/5secs.); 2nd, R.A.

High Jump.—1st, S. L. I. (Aggregate Height: 10ft. 0 ins.); 2nd, R.A.

Inter-Unit One Mile.—1st, H.K.S.B.; 2nd, K.O.S.B. (Time: 4 mins. 53.2/5secs.); 2nd, K.O.S.B.



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20074	- Burgundy...	F.T.
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20080	- Funiculi, Funicula and Santa Lucia,	(do.)
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20121	- Narcissus,	(do.)
20169	- Minuet in G...	Vic. Can. Orch.
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20176	- Eleanor...	Vic. Sal. Orch.
20176	- Out of the Dust to You...	(do.)
20195	- Spring Song...	Violin, Cello, Flute & Harp
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20245	- Victor Symphony Orchestra,	(do.)
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20249	- Verona Waltz...	(do.)
20263	- Cherie, I Love You...	Organ Solo
20263	- Ting-a-Ling...	(do.)
20270	- Estrellita...	Vic. Sal. Orch.
20270	- A Little Love, A Little Kiss...	(do.)
20345	- Fantasia in D Minor (Mozart)	Piano.
20345	- Le Coucou (Dquin)...	Piano Solo
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FINAL POSITIONS IN THE LEAGUES.

Bradford City have secured the championship honours of the Northern Section of the Third Division, Beating South Shields 3-1, they created a record for the aggregate number of goals scored against their opponents during the season bringing their total up to 128. The previous best was Millwall's 127 in the Southern Section last year. Incidentally, Bradford City's percentage is a better than Millwall's. This year's champions of the Northern Section had their defence penetrated on 43 occasions while last year's winners of the Southern Section had 60 goals scored against them.

In the Southern Section, the honour goes to Charlton, with the promotion and relegation problems of both First and Second Divisions definitely decided last week the only interest that was attached to the final games in the English Football League was in the two minor Divisions.

The final League Tables show Wednesbury, Middlesbrough, Charlton and Bradford City, the champions of their respective Divisions while Aury and Cardiff are relegated to the Second Division with Middlesbrough and Grimsby replacing them. Port Vale and Clapton Orient are relegated from the Second Division while Charlton and Bradford City are promoted to their places. Exeter and Gillingham in the Southern Section and Hartlepools and Ashton-in-the-North will have to apply for re-election if they wish to maintain their positions.

First Division.

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Burnley	3	Arsenal	2
Bury	3	Derby	3
Cardiff	1	Blackburn	1
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Liverpool	1	Manchester C.	1
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THE AFGHAN WAR.

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Peshawar, May 4.

After four days' incessant fighting, 6,000 of Bacha-i-Sakao's troops overcame 3,000 of Shah Mohammad's forces near Lohgarh with very heavy casualties on both sides. Bacha-i-Sakao used aeroplanes, one of which crashed down in flames.

It is reported that Nadir Khan has collected an army and marched on Ghazni, but he is hampered by the treachery of the Ghilzai tribe.

It is also reported that ex-King Amanullah's advance forces heavily defeated Bacha-i-Sakao's supporters between Ghazni and Karabagh.—Reuter.

General Nadir Khan, Shah Mahmud (or Mohamad) are two of four brothers who have set themselves the task of saving Afghanistan. Amanullah is the former ruler, and Bacha-i-Sakao (Habibullah) the present ruler.]

HABIBULLAH'S SUCCESS.

Peshawar, May 5.

Advice from the War Ministry at Kabul state that Habibullah is maintaining the upper hand against his enemies.

Amanullah has been signalily defeated and pursued towards Mukkar, and has lost his headquarters and quantities of munitions; while Nadir Khan has sustained a decided defeat at the hands of the Ghilzai and Habibullah's forces.

Habibullah has excommunicated Abdul Rahman, a former Judge, on suspicion of sympathising with the ex-King.—Reuter.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

IMMEDIATE IMPROVEMENT IN RELATIONS.

Tokyo, May 4.

In spite of the latest outrage in Shantung, resulting in the death of one and injuries to two Japanese soldiers, it is learned that the Japanese authorities have no intention of altering their plans to complete the evacuation by May 27.

On the contrary, definite signs of betterment in Sino-Japanese relations are seen in the instructions issued to the Japanese war craft in Chinese waters to salute Chinese war craft, while the Japanese Government is considering the despatch of a special envoy to attend the ceremonies relating to the removal of Sun Yat-sen's remains to Nanking next month.—Reuter.

EARTHQUAKE.

THOUSAND PEOPLE KILLED IN PERSIA.

Moscow, May 4.

It is reported from Arkhabad that a thousand people were killed in the villages in the north east of Persia as a result of a violent earthquake, whose centre was in the Trans-Caspian territory of Turkistan.—Reuter.

"AUDAX" RECEIVED IN
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DISARMAMENT.

AMERICA HAS NO DESIRE TO OBSTRUCT.

Washington, May 4.

Officials of the administration have made it clear that no abandonment of its views should be inferred from Mr. Gibson's statement at Geneva in regard to training reserves.

It is explained that the United States of America simply decided to withdraw from the discussion in question in the League of Nations.

She is not concerned with land armaments as she has already reduced her own to a normal minimum and does not want to be in the position of obstructing a possible agreement by interested European Powers.

On the naval side, the U.S. officials are very optimistic. They said that the tonnage formula had failed and some other way towards an agreement had to be sought. The American delegation accordingly submitted a proposal for counting the speed, age, armament, armour and fuel as well as tonnage. This proposal is to be considered in due course but, owing to the highly technical equations involved, it is expected that a considerable time will elapse before a conclusion is reached.—Reuter's American Service.

China and Russia Oppose.

Geneva, May 4.

The Disarmament Committee of the League of Nations, by 22 votes to 2, passed the resolution submitted by the French and American delegations, declaring that the Committee rejected the system of direct limitation of war material. It is noted that the system of indirect limitation of expenditure on material has not met with general assent. It was decided that limitation and reduction of material must be sought by means of publicity of expenditure.

The Chinese and Soviet delegations voted against the resolution.

The German delegation abstained from voting. Count Bernstorff declared that the Committee had suppressed all essential elements for the reduction of armaments. In view of the gravity of the situation, Count Bernstorff said, he drew the attention of Governments and the public to the necessity of practical reduction of armaments before the meeting of the Disarmament Conference.—Reuter.

ANONYMOUS DONOR.

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London, May 4.

The Court circular mentions that the Prince of Wales yesterday received "Audax" at Saint James Palace.

"Audax" is the anonymous donor of £105,000 to King Edward's Hospital fund. The gift was announced as a thankoffering for the King's recovery.

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ROYAL DIPLOMAT.

PRINCE GEORGE'S AMBITIONS
IN THE CIVIL SERVICE.

London, May 5.

Prince George was the principal guest at the Royal Academy banquet at Burlington House. He spoke affectionately of his fourteen years in the Navy and said that at the Foreign Office he would "endeavour to gain an insight into our dealings with other countries and our international obligations. But my desire to study will not be confined to this side of the administration only. I hope as time passes also to gain some knowledge and experience of other branches of the Civil Service."—Reuter.

BERLIN RIOTS.

BRITISH JOURNALIST KILLED.

Berlin, May 4.

Mr. Charles Mackay, correspondent for a New Zealand newspaper, was killed in last night's rioting.

He disregarded the warning of the Police and unconcernedly strolled through the streets of Neukoeln, being found dead in Hermannstrasse, where firing continued till two in the morning.

The streets were cleared by five in the morning.

All Quiet.

Berlin, May 4, 5 p.m.

All is quiet in the Neukoeln district and the police believe that further disorders are not likely to occur. The total casualties are 25 killed and 36 seriously injured, while over 200 were slightly injured.—Reuter.

Trouble at Munich.

Munich, May 5.

Forty arrests, including several women, were made as a sequel to the Communist demonstration, which culminated in a baton charge by the police through a barrage of stones and other missiles.—Reuter.

ELECTION PLEDGES.

MR. BALDWIN'S MESSAGE TO BRITAIN.

London, May 5.

In a "message to Britain," Mr. Baldwin summarises the principal legislative measures carried out by the present Government.

He declares that the Conservatives have carried through the jobs they then undertook, and claims that trade is in a more prosperous condition than at any time since the war. He asks if this is the moment to gamble with rash, costly Socialist schemes for State control, or trust the Liberals, who are seeking the electorate's support by an employment scheme which many Liberals have declared impracticable.

"We Conservatives are not going to make rash, spectacular promises. All we ask is that you give us an opportunity for carrying out and completing the work we have so successfully begun."

He concludes:—"We shall keep faith, and shall not promise more than we can perform."—Reuter.

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The packets arrived apparently intact, but contained worthless stones.

A gang of international diamond thieves is suspected.

It is understood that the co-operation of the South African Police has been secured.

The singular manner in which the parcel was packed was the first sign that something was wrong, when the consignee, named Tenzer, went to the Post Office to claim the diamonds.

The parcel should have been wrapped in white linen paper and neatly sealed, but Tenzer was astonished to find an ordinary brown paper covering plastered with evidently hurried blobs of sealing-wax.

His further astonishment can be imagined when he found inside merely pebbles. The only clue appears to be the stamp mark on the brown paper—"London, April 29"—Reuter.

FUNERAL OF DR. SUN.

SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FROM JAPAN TO ATTEND.

Tokyo, May 4.

It is learned that the veteran politician, Mr. Ki Inukai, who is the father-in-law of Mr. Yoshizawa (Japanese Minister to China), has agreed to act as special envoy to China on the occasion of the removal of the remains of Dr. Sun Yat-sen for the state burial in Nanking.—Reuter.

Chiang Kai-shek.

Nanking, May 4.

It is reported that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, President of the National Council of the National Government of China, may go to Peking to accompany Dr. Sun Yat-sen's remains to Nanking.—Reuter.

Shanghai, May 5.

A message from Nanking states that Chiang Kai-shek has definitely decided to go to Peking, and expects to travel thither on May 20.—Reuter.

KILLED BY TRAIN.

WOMAN KNOCKED DOWN NEAR YAUMATI STATION.

A Chinese woman of 30 was killed outright when she was knocked down by a train near the Yaumati Station on Saturday, about 4.40 p.m.

It appears that the woman was walking along the railway track when the train, which was going from Kowloon to Shumchun, approached. The driver is said to have sounded the whistle, or seeing that the woman was making an attempt to cross the line, but she apparently paid little attention and was knocked down and received fatal injuries. On the driver pulling up, it was found that the woman was dead. The body was removed to the Kowloon mortuary.

ROYAL ACADEMY.

PICTURES REACH HIGH STANDARD THIS YEAR.

London, May 4.

This year's Royal Academy exhibition, which is to be opened to the public next week, held a private view yesterday. The exhibition comprises 1,600 works, and while critics generally declare their inability to discover any outstanding picture of the year, there is agreement that the general level of achievement is higher than usual.—British Wireless.

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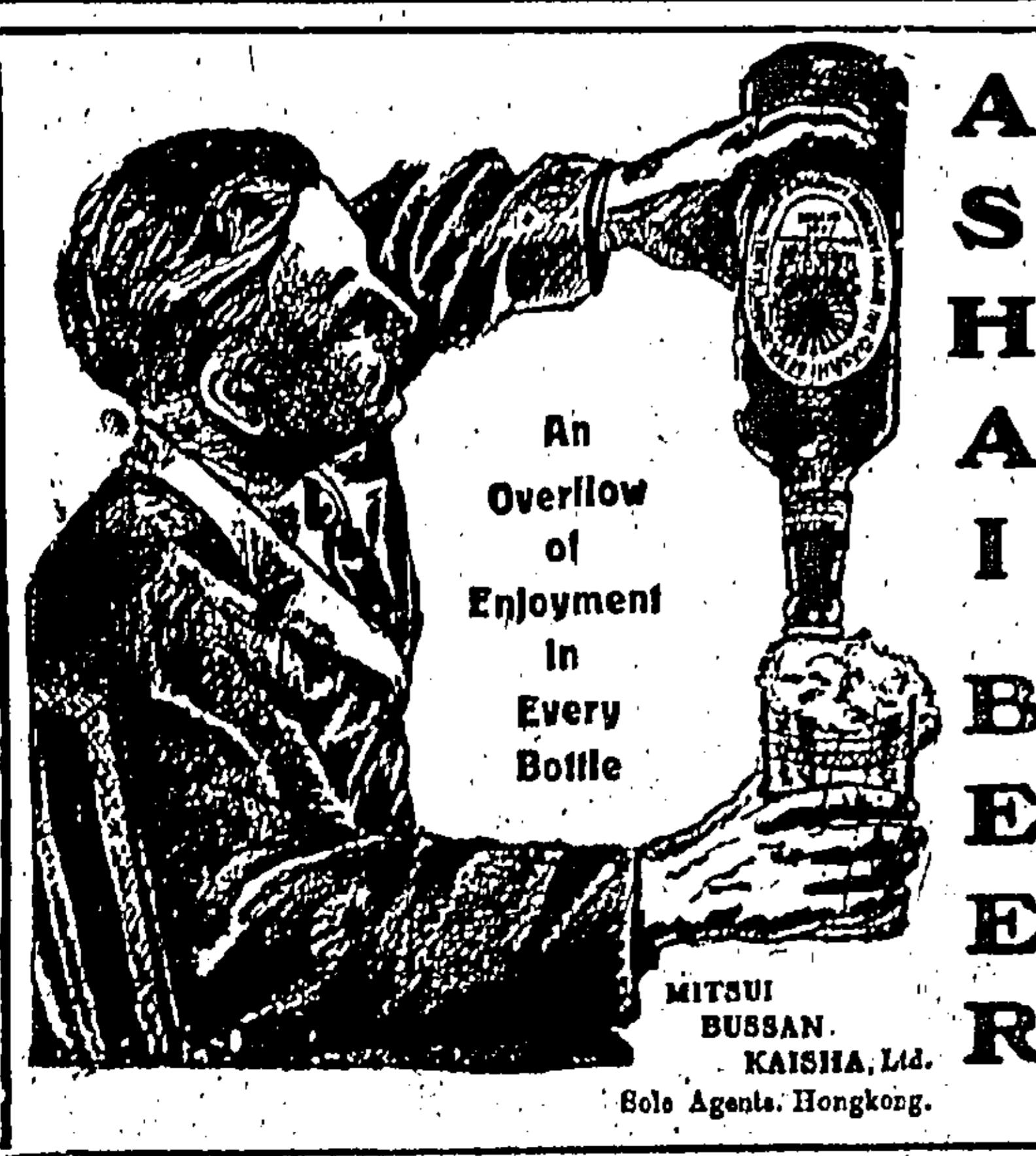
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**FENG'S "APOLOGY"****TO CHIANG.****REVOLUTION IN KANSU AS REASON FOR TROOPING.****EXPLANATION SERVES.**

Shanghai, May 5. The strained relations between Feng Yu-hsiang and Chiang Kai-shek appear to have relaxed during the week end. Troop movements on the Lung-Hai and Peking-Hankow Railways have ceased and normal traffic has been resumed on both Lines.

Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang has again wired to Nanking, from Tungkwan, pledging his loyalty to the Central Government.

Feng's "Apology."

What is considered to be most significant is the arrival at Nanking this afternoon of General Hu Yen-tso, (Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's emissary and Messrs. Huich Tuh-pi and Lin Chih, (Feng Yu-hsiang's delegates). They had an interview with Marshal Chiang Kai-shek shortly after their arrival. Feng's emissaries said that the sudden evacuation from Shantung of Sun Liang-sing was the result of a misunderstanding.

Mr. Huich Tuh-pi stated that both Sun Liang-sing and Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang regretted exceedingly the action, and Sun Liang-sing has offered himself to the Central Government for punishment for not consulting the authorities before withdrawing his troops.

Chiang Satisfied.

It is understood that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek indicated satisfaction over the change of attitude of the Kuomintang leaders, adding that he wished to summon Sun Liang-sing to Nanking.

According to the delegates, Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang is still at Tungkwan, recuperating after his recent illness.

It is reliably learned that the Central Government has no intention of taking a strong line with regard to the "Shantung Incident," but is rather inclined to let by-gones be by-gones.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek is sending representatives to Shanghai and Hangchow inviting General Lu Chung-lin, (Nanking's vice-Minister of War) and Mr. Y. L. Tong, (Nanking vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs) to return to their portfolios in the Capital.

What is now engaging the attention of Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang is a "revolution" at Ninghsiafu, near the Kansu-Mongolia borders. The rebels have captured the Ninghsiafu City and have established an independent government, according to the representatives of Feng in Nanking.

The rebels are under the command of Ma Chung-ying, who declares that he is supporting the Kuomintang Party and the National Government, but is bitterly against the alleged oppression of the "Christian General."

Feng's emissaries attributed the extensive troop movements on the Peking-Hankow Railway to the "Christian General's" desire to organize an expedition against the rebels in Kansu-Mongolia borders.

MEXICAN REVOLT SEQUEL.**SENSATIONAL ARRESTS IN NEW YORK.**

New York, May 5.

There was a dramatic echo of the Mexican Revolution here to-day when four men were arrested in a hotel by secret police.

The arrested men were two Mexicans and two Americans (United States) ex-Government officials who had been employed at El Paso, Texas, and who were found in possession of gold banknotes, cheques and stocks to the value of £140,000.

These cheques and stocks are alleged to be part of the loot seized by Mexican rebels from banks at Chihuahua.

It is stated that one of the Mexicans was formerly a paymaster in the rebel forces at Juarez.—*Reuter's American Service.*

WATER SUPPLY COMPLAINTS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

when the restrictions were put into effect.

Gravity Service.

From other official sources, the telegraph learns that the difficulties on the Peak are largely due to the fact that water is pumped up from below into tank, and the system thus becomes a gravity service.

After water has been turned off, it takes some time before the pipes again become full, and the result is that people living on the highest levels get their supply interfered with as residents on lower levels draw off the supplies. This explains why some residents in the Peak district get supplies at certain hours whilst others get none.

DISASTROUS SHIP EXPLOSION.**PHILIPPINES BOAT BLOWN UP.****CAPTAIN IN WATER FOR NEARLY A WHOLE DAY.****SIX MEN TRAPPED.**

Manila, May 3. "Big explosion aft Sunday at 4:30 p.m. Most hands jumped in the water. No time to launch life boats. After 23 hours in the water, I drifted ashore on Tanguigui Island. One boy came ashore. The second engineer came floating ashore, but dead. I buried him on the island."

This was the laconic message received two days ago in Manila from Captain C. G. Olsen, master of the s.s. Viking which was blown to pieces in the Visayan Sea by her cargo of gasoline.

Captain Olsen has since arrived here and has told a graphic story of what happened.

The last man to leave the ship, Captain Olsen told how he finally gained the shore on Tanguigui island, small patch of land in a wilderness of water, and was fortunate enough to be sighted by one of the lighthouse tenders who brought him back to civilization, along with a cabin boy, the only other member of the crew who missed the rescue boats and who reached shore alive.

Six Men Trapped.

Two quartermasters, one fireman, two seaman and a ship's hand were trapped in the Viking's No. 2 hold when the explosion which threw overboard about 15 men occurred.

The U. S. Army ferry Miley has arrived from Corregidor with the twelve survivors of the Viking who were left on the island last Tuesday by the Swedish steamer Delhi, which rescued them. The survivors were met by their families.

Three of the survivors were so much bandaged that it took some time to separate them from their families, who believed that they were dying. All the wounded men were taken to the Philippine General Hospital by two ambulances. At the hospital emergency treatment was given all survivors except three men who were so slightly injured that they were told to go home.

According to Julian Baldeconcha, officer on board the Viking, he received orders from the captain at about 3 p.m. Sunday to put out the fires in the boilers, stop the dynamo and extinguish all flames in the lower decks. He obeyed all the orders and was later summoned up.

He found that hatch No. 2 had fallen for some unaccountable reason and that several cases of gasoline which lay on the cover of the hatch had fallen down. All the men on board, officers included, were ordered by the captain to work on the raising of the cases of gasoline which had fallen below.

Sharks Swim About.

Six men were sent below to throw the cases up, and the other hands worked on the deck receiving the cases and lining them up. Baldeconcha said that he noticed some leakage on a case which had fallen below, but as he had put out all fires below he did not entertain any fear for any accident.

They were so working, he said, when strong explosion threw them overboard. Due to the lightning-like rapidity with which the explosion took place, nobody was able to avail himself of the use of life-belts or to lower the life-boats. He noticed the captain, he said, who was then on the deck, had a life-belt on and was ordering about five men to jump overboard.

He said that the six men who were working below the deck were imprisoned by the fire, which in a little time covered the ship from stern to bow. If the men did not die with the first explosion, the several other explosions which followed the first one and the cavorting of the deck would have finished them, he stated.

In Water Ten Hours.

He said that he was in the water for about 10 hours when he was picked up by the s.s. Delhi. He saved his life by clinging with a companion to a wooden raft which carried them away. He shivered when he said that he escaped death several times that night because sharks were swimming around him and his companion.

No Time for SOS.

Dodofredo Villalon, radio operator on board the Viking, corroborated the story of Baldeconcha. He added, however, that he was not able to send a distress signal because he, with the rest of the crew,

"TALKIE" PATENTS BATTLE.**AREA OF GERMAN-AMERICAN DISPUTE SPREADS.****U.S. COUNTER-ACTIONS.**

London, May 6. The battle between Germany and America over "talkie" apparatus patent rights is to be taken up on a more extensive scale, according to a statement issued in London to-day, after Mr. Justice Romer had postponed the suit in the Chancery Division for an injunction to restrain the Hyde Park Cinemas, Limited, from using apparatus alleged to be an infringement of German patents and purchased in the United States.

A joint statement has been issued by counsel for the English Corporation and the Klang Film Tobis group, announcing that the prosecution of the legal battle with regard to "talkie" apparatus patents is to be pursued in all other countries where the Western Electric Company's patents are being used.

Paris is specifically mentioned as one of the places where legal proceedings will be taken, but the alleged infringed patents are also being employed in Italy, Spain and Sweden, while Australia is also likely to be involved.

Hundreds of British cinemas are reported to be equipped with the "doubtful" apparatus.

Meanwhile, the Western Electric Company has filed five suits in Berlin for the restriction of the Klang Film Tobis' patents.—*Reuter.*

LORRY AND CAR IN COLLISION.**SEQUEL AT KOWLOON MAGISTRACY.**

A collision between a motor lorry and a car driven by Mr. L. Jack, was mentioned at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when the driver of the lorry was charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith with driving a vehicle which was not in proper working order.

Mr. J. M. Hall appeared for the defence, and entered a plea of guilty, remarking that defendant was not aware that the lorry was defective.

In reply to his Worship, Sergeant Scrim said that the first gear of the lorry was burned out, while the foot-brake was useless. The hand-brake was of some use but the steering wheel was defective. The defendant had, in fact, collided with a private car driven by Mr. L. Jack.

Remarking that it was a case in which the public was endangered, his Worship imposed a fine of \$15.

THE DAVIS CUP.**BELGIUM AND DENMARK IN SECOND ROUND.**

London, May 5. In the first round of the Davis Cup Competition (European Zone) Belgium has eliminated Rumania, winning by three matches to love. The game was played at Brussels.

At Copenhagen, Denmark defeated Chile by three matches to love.—*Reuter.*

At Athens, Greece eliminated Yugoslavia by three matches to nil.—*Reuter.*

RUSSIAN FEAST-DAY IN SHANGHAI.**TEN THOUSAND CELEBRATE RUSSIAN FEASTER.**

Shanghai, May 6. The adherents of the Greek Orthodox Church have been observing the Russian Easter over the week-end, and last night about 10,000 Russians, from the richest to the poorest, began a great feast which continued through the night.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

was ordered by the captain to work on the lifting of the gasoline cans.

He was on deck working with the rest of the crew when the explosion took place. He said that the explosion happened so suddenly that he had been in the radio room when he doubted if he could have sent any distress message. With the first explosion, the radio antennae were destroyed, he said.

He said that he was picked up, with his 11 other companions by the captain of the s.s. Delhi, the officers of which proved themselves very hospitable. He said that the survivors were given medicine, clothes and food by the officers of the Swedish steamer.

Those who were badly injured were placed in cabins and were attended to by the ship's officers.

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